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# Clinton Weighs U.S. Troops for Bosnia Enclaves

and Ruth Marcus

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WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton said Thursday that European opposition to his arm-and-strike proposal to Bosnia had forced him to re-examine options he previously had discarded, such as adding U.S. troops to the international force protecting civilian enclaves

or using air strikes alone. Mr. Clinton, in an interview with The Washington Post, expressed his reservations about

any of the options preferred by the Europeans. Mr. Clinton's first description of his military and Russians and said the best he could get proposal, his deep unwillingness to try to lead a from two weeks of intensive diplomacy by him-self and Secretary of State Warren M. Chris-

A Bosnian Serbian general bars hamanitarian aid from reaching "safe areas." Page 2.

toper was an agreement by international leaders to at least leave his proposal on the table if other routes fail. The lengthy discussion of Bosnia brought

proposal, his deep unwillingness to try to lead a U.S. military effort in hopes the Enropeans will follow, and the sense that the Clinton administration finds it has made little progress on

"I still believe the international community has an interest in containing the conflict, stopping the border aggression, stopping the vio-lence and bloodshed," he said, and "our view was that the most sensible way to do that was to have a very disciplined lifting of the arms embargo to try to level the playing field and confining this whole air strike notion to the threat of using that if the heavy artillery attacks

Mr. Clinton said his judgment was that "we should press the Europeans not to take our preferred strategy off the table" and then recognize "with some sensitivity" their strong feeling that the allies should to take "a few more days the weekend referendum of Bosman Serbs

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# Peseta's Devaluation **Shows New Cracks** In EC Currency Plan

By Richard W. Stevenson

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LONDON — Barope & contained the menetary
system was shaken again. Therefore when Spans
and Portugal reduced the value of their containcies, casting additional doubt on the European ity's plans to forge closer economic

The action came just five days before Denmark was to vote a second time on whether to ratify the Treaty on European Union, which sets out a process for creating a single currency and a European central bank.

A vote in Denmark in June 1992 to reject the treaty rocked financial markets and led to a currency crisis in September, when Europe's system aimed at establishing stable exchange rates nearly collapsed. All 12 members of the European Community must ratify the treaty for

it to come into effect. The 8 percent devaluation Thursday in the Spanish peseta against the other European currencies, and the 6.5 percent devaluation in the Portuguese escudo, also came as Spain pre-pared for a general election on June 6. They highlighted the political difficulties for governments seeking to meet their commitments under the monetary system to maintain stable currency values at a time of deepening Europe-

The peseta had been under pressure for months from currency speculators testing the resolve of the government, which had said as recently as Wednesday that it would hold out painst a devaluation.

Having nearly exhausted the foreign curren-cy reserves needed to prop up the peseta's value by brying it in the open market, however, the government of Prime Minister Felipe González proved unwilling to take the only other available step — raising interest rates when Spain's economy is badly weakened and his Socialist Party is in a neck-and-neck race with the con-servative opposition to remain in power. Interest rates in Spain are already among Europe's highest, with benchmark rates as high as 18 percent in recent days.

After the devaluation, however, Spain said it

would lower its intervention rate.

"It was pretty clear that the pain threshhold in Spain was pretty low and that the priority is getting interest rates down," said Ian Amstad, an economist at Bankers Trust in London.

The arguments for maintaining currency stawithin Europe and impose a discipline to noid down inflation — have looked increasingly weak to other governments as well in recent months. Britain, which dropped out of the monetary system last fall, has been able to slash its interest rates from 10 percent to 6 percent, helping spark a recovery despite the ensuing weakness of the pound.

The devaluation Thursday was the third for Spain since September within the monetary system, the centerpiece of the European Comunencumbered by trade restrictions or currency fluctuations. It was the second devaluation for the Portuguese currency, which is tied closely to its Spanish counterpart because of the large volume of trade between the nations.

Economists said the devaluations emphasized the deep split between the "hard core" of strong, stable currencies in Germany, France, Belgium, the Netherlands, Luxembourg and Denmark and the currencies of the remaining community members.

The French franc, which has come under intense speculative pressure over the last eight months, remained stable Thursday even though the Bank of France nudged interest rates down

The Bank of France cut its intervention rate, which sets the floor for money market rates, to 7.75 percent from 8 percent, Reuters reported from Paris. It also lowered its five-to-10-day rate, which acts as an interest rate ceiling, by a quarter-point to 8.75 percent.

[The reduction came as a surprise to many

economists, who had not expected a new rate cut before the Danish referendum on Tuesday removed that uncertainty factor for the mar-

[France's six successive quarter-point cuts in the intervention rate since April 13 have been possible because of the confidence international investors have shown in the policies of the new prime minister, Edouard Balladur, a con-servative, and have been aided by falling German interest rates.)

High German rates were a major contributor to the currency turmoil last fall, forcing other nations to choose between keeping their rates high and allowing their currencies to drop in value. High interest rates make investing in a

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# Crisis Arms Denmark's Maastricht Supporters

By Tom Buerkle

International Herald Tribune COPENHAGEN - Europe's latest currency crisis gave the Danish government fresh ammunition in its campaign for approval in Tuesday's referendum of the Treaty on European Union.

The government has waged a largely defensive campaign for support of the Maastricht treaty, warning that a repeat of June's rejection would prompt a run against the krone, force up loterest rates and drive the economy toto recession.

"I see uncertainty on all fronts in the case of a 'no,'" Foreign Minister Niels

Helveg Petersen said Thursday.
Prime Minister Poul Nyrup Rasmussen was even more blunt at a rally of his Social Democratic Party on Wednesday night. Denmark had been able to maintain the krone's value throughout the currency crises that have crupted since last September because of cooperation from the German. French and Dutch central banks, he said. ne Danes vote no, uk

such cooperation, he said. That appeal should find resonance among many Danes. Ever since the country resorted to devaluations in a vain atmpt to improve competitiveness in the late 1970s, there has been a solid consensus in favor of a strong currency, said Motz Feldt, an economist at Den Danske

But Denmark has paid a heavy price to defend the krone in recent months, in-creasing short-term interest rates to a peak of 15 percent in December. Even now, short-term rates of about 9 75 percent are cripplingly high for an economy with Eu-See DANES, Page 13

# All Eyes Are on Japan on Eve of Trade Session

By Peter Behr

Washington Past Service WASHINGTON - The Clinton administration and the European Community are teaming up to seek major trade concessions from Japan io a new effort to revive the long-stalled negati-ations on a new global trading agreement, U.S.

and EC officials say. Over the past month, the administration and the Community have narrowed their own differences on industrial tariffs considerably, leading them to turn their attention to Japan at Friday's meeting in Toronto of trade officials from the United States, Japan, Canada and the 12-nation European Community.

other trade barriers by these major economic more than six years. powers is now seen as the carrot that triggers other market-opening steps by the cearly 100 other members of the General Agreement on

TODDLERS HELD HOSTAGE NEAR PARIS —A mother carrying her child from a nursery school in the Paris suburb of Neuilly-sur-Seine on Thursday after he was

A deep reduction to industrial tariffs and has blocked the negotiations in Geneva for

released by a guuman who seized 21 children and their teacher. He was demanding a ransom of \$18.4 million. Fourteen of the children were freed by nighttime. Page 2.

"Japan bears a disproportionate responsibil-ity" to offer significant reductions in its tariffs and other barriers to foreign products and ser-Tariffs and Trade, breaking the impasse that vices, a senior U.S. trade official said.

# France Unveils a Tough New Policy on Trade

France's new center-right government unveiled a tough trade policy Thursday, rejecting a trans-Atlantic agreement on farm trade reached last November, rebuk-

ing the United States for resorting to unilateral reprisals, and contending that liber-alism in world trade is not enough when European jobs are threatened. (Page 11)

Recent talks headed by the U.S. trade representative, Mickey Kantor, and the EC trade commissioner, Sir Leon Brittan, have brought them close to a major agreement on mutual tariff reductions, officials said.

The United States wants to eliminate tariffs in such important industrial product areas as the such important industrial product areas as electronics, pharmaceuticals, wood and paper products and farm equipment. The Community is pressing the administration to bring down high tariffs on a small number of vulnerable but, politically influential American industries, such as shoes and glassware. A high-ranking EC official said "the signs of

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# Senate Remoyes Andreotti's Immunity

By Alan Cowell
New York Times Service

ROME — The Italian Senate voted by a show of hands Thursday to strip the seven-time prime minister, Giulio Andreotti, of immunity from investigation into charges of Mafia association, even as law enforcement agencies rounded up scores of mobsters from all three of the country's principal organized crime gangs.

While the two developments were not formally related, they illuminated the dramatic shift from only a few years ago when the mob seemed to act with impunity because of what many Italians perceived as high-level political protection in Rome.

[Rome magistrates officially advised Envi-ronment Minister Valdo Spini that he was un-der investigation for suspected corruption, Reuters reported Thursday, citing the ANSA news agency. Mr. Spini. 47, a Socialist, is the first member of Prime Minister Carlo Azeglio Ciampi's two-week-old government to fall under suspicion in the country's bribery scandal.]

Mr. Andreotu, 74, a Christian Democrat, is accused by Mafia informers of being the mob's "point of reference" in the capital — an allega-tion that the Italian elder statesman again denied nn Thursday, before the Senate vote, as "absolutely and totally false."

By Adam Bryant

New York Times Service

ing number of carriers that have banned the use of laptop

computers, compact-disk players and other electronic devices during takeoffs and landings. The policy underlines an emerging safety issue in which questions outcom-

Although there is no scientific evidence that such de-

vices interfere with planes' navigation or communications

systems, the restrictions stem from a growing number of

reports by pilots that their navigation instruments were inexplicably disrupted in flight and that they resumed normal operation when flight attendants asked passengers to turn off these electronic devices.

NEW YORK - American Airlines will join the grow-

"As confident as I am of earthly justice, the tranquility of my conscience rests on the rests on the certainty that there is a higher tribunal the tribunal of God," be told fellow senators. The sweeps against the Sicilian Mafia, the

Calabrian 'Ndrangheta and the Neapolitan Camorra were the most spectacular since January. when the Sicilian Cosa Nostra's presumed boss of all bosses, Salvatore (Toto) Rima, was arrest-Those seized in the latest raids included the

fugitive Camorra boss, Michele Zaza, arrested

by French police in a villa on the Riviera near

Investigators suggested, however, that the raids might not head off what the authorities fear will be a new and major outrage designed to assert that the mob's continued presence, possibly around the first anniversary on May 23 of the murder of the anti-Mafia crusader Gio-

"There have been indications recently that preparations are under way for a new attack on state authority," said Bruno Siciari, the country's leading anti-Mafia investigator. "The Mafia should know that the state is stronger and will out stand idly by."

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turned on again.

Airlines Move to Switch Off Passengers' Gadgets

Because American is the largest U.S. carrier, its policy,

which it hopes to put into effect by July, is expected to

draw new attention to a debate among airline-safety

experts over whether the radio signals that all such devices

emit can indeed throw off compasses and other instru-

No accident is known to have been caused by a comput-

A 1988 study commissioned by the Federal Aviation

Administration found no conclusive proof of an effect on

instruments, but it did suggest that the use of such devices be banned before and after takeoff and landing, when

er or other electronic device, even indirectly.



Until recently, the decision to permit Sicilian Mr. Andreotti listening to Senate debate Thursday over the lifting of his immunity.

At least one carrier, Swissair, has reported that the most accidents occur and pilots have their greatest work-disruptions then recurred when the CD players were load. A second study is under way; an interim report is

# Kiosk **UN to Pull Out**

GENEVA (AP) — The United Nations will start with-drawing guards protecting Kurds in northern Iraq because of a lack of funds, a UN official said Thursday. Fifty guards will be pulled out Friday and Saturday, and the rest of the 236 will be withdrawn in

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due in October, and a final report is expected next year.

that transmit or receive signals. But they leave rule-making on laptop computers, compact-disk players and hand-held video games to the individual carriers and their

United Airlines, for example, allows the use of comput-

ers and the like during most of a flight, but Northwest in

March restricted the use of such devices at altitudes below

10,000 feet (3,000 meters), as will American. Most airlines

ask passengers to stow their computers under their seats

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Federal rules ban the use of devices like cellular phones

# Cash Crisis in the West Bank Slashing of Gulf State Funds Squeezes PLO

By David Hoffman and Nora Boustany

Washington Past Service BIR ZEIT, West Bank — For four years during the Palestinian uprising, Israeli authorities shut down Bir Zeit University, the largest Palestinian university in the West Bank. On a recent afternoon, it was open again, but classes were canceled for another reason the students and teachers were on strike.

The teachers had not gotten their March paychecks, and the students were protesting a unition rise.

What is happening at Bir Zeit is part of a financial crisis that has rocked Palestinian institutions throughout the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip and sharply reduced the resources of the Palestine Liberation Occurrence in product Verses Amelian

tion Organization under Yasser Arafat.

Since the Gulf War, Palestinians have been suffering from a deepening economic plight. First, expulsion of their workers from Kuwait dried up millions of dollars in remittances they had regularly sent back to the Israeli-occupied territories. Then, the Gulf states slashed financing for the PLO and its major institutions in the territories. More recently, most Palestinians have been barred from working in Israel, further cutting their income. And the uprising itself, the intifada, caused economic disruption.

The United Nations Development Program, citing Israeli sources, said this week that there had been a cut of \$450 million in remittances sent home from Gulf workers since the end of the war and a drop of \$750 million in aid from Gulf states to Palestinians in the

The stateless Palestinians have long viewed institutions such as Bir Zeit as important symbols of their national identity. But in the last few years, those institutions have seemed to be crumbling. Hospitals and universities are months behind in their payrolls and rife with strikes, newspapers have been closed to save money, and there have been allegations of cor-ruption within the PLO.

In perhaps the most significant indicator of the depth of the crisis, the PLO's payments to families of prisoners and those killed in the five-year-long intilada — long regarded as sacrosanct — have been reduced sharply.

The institutions were dependent on outside sup-

port, mainly support from the Gulf and oil-rich states," said Bir Zeit's vice president, Gabi Baramki. "Since the Gulf War this has dried up." The Gulf states cut their aid when Mr. Arafat

embraced President Saddam Hussein of Iraq after his invasion of Kuwait. In the occupied territories, that embrace is now denounced by many Palestinians as a serious blunder.

Palestinian sources say Arab countries used the financial crisis to prod Mr. Arafat to persuade the Palestinian delegation to return to the peace talks in Washington. The sources said the Palestinians had received promises from Sandi Arabia, through the United States, that the Saudis soon would resume some financial aid. But the Palestinian sources said they were still waiting for it.

One impact of the crisis has been to weaken the PLO-backed establishment and institutions within the territories at a time of continuing competition with the militant Islamic group Hamas. Hamas and the smaller Islamic Jihad group reportedly have gotten millions of dollars from Iranian and Saudi sources and have continued to get the money since the Gulf War, although Israel has tried to disrupt this flow since the deportation in December of 400 suspected Islamic

According to Palestinian and Israeli sources, Hamas has always made the most of its resources, relying on local volunteers with spartan lifestyles, compared with the far-flung, costly operations of the PLO. While the PLO institutions have been struggling, Hamas has been able to set up rival social and educational ser-

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### Talks on Palestinians **End Without Decision**

Israelis and Palestinians have ended their ninth round of peace talks without reaching an reement on principles of Palestinian self-rule in West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The United States intervened directly in the talks for the first time and presented a paper trying to bridge the differences on self-rule. Washington had bargained since December to persuade the Palestmians to resume the talks. and was determined that this round should produce a result after 18 months of hageling But an Israeli official said the U.S. proposal was not even discussed at the final meeting in Washington on Thursday. (Page 5)

# Tougher Rules on French Citizenship Approved

By Alan Riding

New York Times Service PARIS - In what is seen as the first step toward tighter controls on Third World immigration, France's new conservative-dominated Parliament voted Thursday to make it more difficult for children born in France of

foreign parents to become French citizens. Until now, these children became French citizens automatically at the age of 18 and their parents could apply on their behalf before then. Under the new rules, they must apply in person between the ages of 16 and 21 and, in some cases, can be turned down.

Opposition parties as well as human rights groups have charged that the change not only violates a century-old French tradition but also is discriminatory and will make it more difficult for youths of Arab and African descriptions of the control can descent to integrate into French society. By choosing immigration as the subject of its first legislation presented to the National Assembly, however, the conservative government of Prime Minister Edouard Balladur has clearly signaled that it plans to respond

Life Term

In Killing

For German

STUTTGART - A German

court sentenced a 25-year-old man to life imprisonment for murder on

Thursday for beating an Albanian

refugee to death with a baseball bat during a gang attack.

The court sentenced another de-

fendant, aged 21, to nine years in prison for attempted murder for beating another immigrant in the

attack on a refugee hostel near

The two men and five other Germans who received lesser terms acted out of "dark, ill-considered, rad-

ical right-wing chauvinism," Judge Haus-Alfred Blumenstein said.

Thomas Wede, an unskilled la-

borer who was the main defendant, met the others in a bar on the day of the attack before going to a pri-

vate home where they listened to recordings of speeches by Adolf Hitler and his Nazi propaganda chief, Joseph Goebbels, the court

They also listened to racist music

by skinhead bands before heading out into the night with two baseball

bats, intending to beat up foreign-

They went into the refugee hostel in Ostfilden and kicked down the

door to a bedroom where a 55-year-

old Albanian, Sadri Berisha, and

an ethnic Albanian man from the

Yugoslav province of Kosovo were

sleeping. Mr. Berisha died within

an hour after being smashed oo the

head but his roommate survived

the beating.
The murder was one of 17 by far-

rightists last year in a wave of at-

tacks by neo-Nazi gangs on for-

eigners, handicapped people and leftists. Seven of the killings in-

In another case, near Hamburg

four members of a skinhead rock band got suspended sentences of

seven to nine months on Wednes-

day for songs that urged violence

against foreigners and leftists.

volved foreigners.

ers, prosecutors said.

Stuttgart last July.

Polls say that the change in the country's nationality code has the support of three ont of four French. They also show strong public backing for tougher measures to halt illegal immigration, to repatriate immigrants who commit crimes and to limit the entry of close relatives of legal immigrants.

In general elections that swept the Socialist Party out of office in March, the extremeright National Front, which has taken the lead in combatting immigration, won 12.5 percent of votes nationwide and almost 30 percent in districts with large Third World

But experts believe it won no seats in the National Assembly and did not receive a still higher vote because the two main conservative parties, the Gaullist Rally for the Republic and the center-right Union for French Democracy, have moved to the right on the immigration issue in recent years.

A coalition of the two parties now has a

home country — yet who now find the crument is virtually guaranteed approval.

The provision changing the rules for acquiring French citizenship was adopted by 473 votes in favor and only 92 against.

Description of the character of the country is a source of the country and the country of the character of the country is a source of the country of the character of the charac to growing opposition to non-European im- legislation presented by Mr. Balladur's gov- home country - yet who now find that

During the three-day debate, which was sometimes accompanied by loud protest demonstrations outside the National Assembly building, Justice Minister Pierre Mehaig-nerie argued that the change would encourage integration by requiring youths of foreign extraction to demonstrate a will to

parliamentary majority so large that any perhaps have never visited their parents' nience."

While in practice French-born children of foreigners are still expected to be granted citizenship unless they have committed serious crimes, human rights and anti-racism groups are particularly concerned because they fear still tougher measures will soon

Last week, the so-called Information and would clamp down on "fraudulent" acquisition of French citizenship, notably by children of illegal immigrants and by immigrants who pay to marry French nationals for the exclusive purpose of becoming French.

But opponents of the meaning and by immigrants of the meaning acquisition of the meaning acquisition. The group described the document as "a xenophobic project for disintegration."

Among the meaning and workers published what it contended was a leak of a new policy document prepared by the Interior Ministry that anticipated a broad clampton of the meaning acquisition of the m

would only serve to alienate youths who were relatives of polygamous immigrants, a faster born in France, have adopted French cussystem for expelling illegal immigrants and toms, are often finent only in French and stricter rules to block "marriages of conve-

# **Man Holds Toddlers** Hostage **Near Paris**

NEUILLY-SUR-SEINE. France - A masked man armed with a revolver and claiming to have a bomb took a nursery school class hostage Thursday in this wealthy Paris suburb and demanded 100 million francs to "avoid a

Twenty-one children, mostly year-olds, were held at first, but 14 were later freed. The captor also held their teacher. Laurence Dreyfus, officials said.

A team of police negotiators en-tered the school, and at least one parent joined in the talks that continued into the evening.

Sources involved in the negotia-

tions said that the gumman was calm and appeared determined to get the money, which is the equiva-lent of \$18.4 million.

Anguished parents gathered in the school yard as negotiations went on with the gunman. Police in bulletproof jackets surrounded the school and sharpshooters watched from rooftops.

The man, said to be in his 30s,

parked his car outside the Com-mandant Charcot school before 10 A.M., walked into a classroom, and took the 21 children, all aged about 3, and their teacher hostage. Prefect Charles-Noel Hardy said

that the man's pistol and explosives could be fake, but that the police were taking no chances.

He has a pistol in his hand that could be an alarm pistol or a fake, and he apparently has explosives around his waist with wires sticking out," he said, adding: "Is it fake or not? We don't know, and we are

being very cautious."

As hungry toddlers started crying four hours after the start of the siege, the father of one of the chil-dren, Pierre Narboni, persuaded the gunman to release his son and seven other children in exchange for milk and sandwiches.

children and let a doctor into the

The children were fed a meal of ham and potatoes, and blankets were brought in to them as evening fell. The doctor was believed to have given the children medication so they could sleep.

Earlier, police evacuated the rest of the school's 230 children from classrooms, handing some of them over the school fence to parents. "We were very scared. We nearly

all cried," said a little girl who was taken to the canteen to wait for her Mr. Narboni's wife sald the gun-

man and his hostages were calm.
"The teacher is doing very, very
well," she said. The children are not

"The guy is calm as well," she added. "He says he has plenty of time, until he gets everything he Mr. Hardy, the prefect, also said

that the gunman appeared calm, and that he had left the door of the classroom open and allowed a police officer to enter several times to A journalist with TFI television, Jean-Pierre About, who entered the classroom in the early evening at

the gunman's request, said the teacher was organizing games for the children. 'He seemed extraordinarily calm," Mr. About said of the gun-

man. "It was rather surrealistic; the children were playing." "You imagine the worst in a case like this," said Stanislas Jedlinski,

whose two children were among His daughter, Julia, 5, said the children were told they had to rush

out of the building because of a

### GATT: All Eyes Are on Japan

progress are there" on these issues. He added, "We certainly think the time has come for the Japanese to make their contribution to the de-

Sciichiro Noboru, economics minister at the Japanese Embassy in Washington, said it was "entirely wrong" to blame Japan for the lack of progress in the GATT negotia-

terests to any opening of its market to imported rice. He added, "On other issues — trade in services, intellectual prop-

But U.S. and EC degotiators say more is needed, particularly com-mitments by Japan to open its doors wider to financial services,

The talks this week and others scheduled for June would, if suc-cessful, permit the heads of the seven largest industrial nations to put their initials on the opening package of trade concessions at the summit meeting of the Group of Seven leading industrialized na-

tions in Tokyo in July. Likewise, a failure to reach agreement would create tremen-dous obstacles to reaching a final GATT agreement this year or in the foreseeable future, the U.S. of-

"If we are to make progress between now and the summit," the official said, "then it is really of the utmost importance that Japan makes a contribution now."

Progress this month and next on GATT issues also is essential to persuade Congress to give the administration renewed authority to complete the GATT negotiations, the U.S. official said.

"There is going to be a signifi-cant element of doubt on the part of Congress until they start to see the shape of the package," said the U.S. official.

Meanwhile, GATT economists urged members Thursday to con-cinde the lengthy negotiations of the Uruguay Round, Reuters reported from Geneva.

The GATT economists, in their annual overview, said an accord would case bilateral tensions and boost world trade. They also said that if world economic growth rose modestly as forecast, trade migh expand in 1993 by "at least" the 4.5 percent rate of last year.

But the economists warned that "Most worrisome of all is the continuing failure of the major trading nations to resolve differences that are blocking a successful conclusion of the Uruguay Round negoti-

■ American Trade Pact The EC Commission, the organi-

zation's executive, said it expected the North American Free Trade Agreement eventually to improve commercial and political ties to Mexico, The Associated Press reported from Brussels.

# WORLD BRIEFS

## Aspin Scales Back on SDI Program

WASHINGTON (AP) — Defense Secretary Les Aspin announced a reorganization and scaling back Thursday of the Pentagon's anti-missile

The organization that has run the Defeuse Department's anti-missile The organization that has run the Detense Department's and minimal efforts since the Reagan administration, known as the Strategic Defense Initiative Organization, will be renamed the Ballistic Missile Defense Organization, Mr. Aspin said.

Mr. Aspin said he was reorganizing the program to reflect President Bill Chinton's goals. The main change from the Bush administration is

that Mr. Clinton is dropping the aim of stationing anti-missile weapons in space, he added.

### U.K. Rejects Royal Bugging Inquiry

LONDON — The British minister in charge of security services. Thursday ruled out an official inquiry into "daft" allegations that intelligence agents had bugged Prince Charles and Princess Diana.

Home Secretary Kenneth Clarke said Parliament "should devote inquiries to serious matters where there is some kind of evidence to be investigated." And he added, "No serious person has come forward with any serious evidence from which anyone could even begin to look at this

any schools endence from which anyone could even begin to fook at this rather daft allegation that MIS is bugging the royal family."

For the second day, British newspapers were filled with reports of what purported to be royal conversations, following up stories that Prince Charles and his estranged wife had been bugged in their country home by the security agency. There were also allegations that his sister, Princess Anne, also had been taped illegally.

### Li Peng Is Reported Back at Work

BEITING (AP) — Prime Minister Li Peng was reported Thursday to have chaired a Chinese government meeting Wednesday for the first time since being hospitalized two weeks ago, but there was still no detailed word on the nature of his illness or his condition.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman, asked at a press conference about Mr. Li's health, said, "He still needs to rest for some time. Please do not make wild guesses." He refused to comment on rumors that Mr. Li had suffered

### Nonaligned Group Changes Its Tune

NUSA DUA, Indonesia (Reuters) - Ministers of the 108 nonaligned. nations ended a three-day meeting here Thursday, abandoning past polemics and instead declaring war on the developing world's "crippling

The Nonaligned Movement, seeking to end its traditional hectoring of Western nations, issued a final press communique full of practical calls for greater self-help and a two-way partnership between rich and poor

Ali Alatas, Indonesian foreign minister and chairman of the gathering, acknowledged the movement's past faults. He said the group had "reassessed" its strategy in a "vastly changed international situation," referring to the collapse of communism, "in order to solve the global economic problems of our time."

### For the Record

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Exer Weizman became the seventh president of Israel on Thursday. The
former general, 68, succeeded Chaim Herzog, president for a decade. His
tuncle, Chaim Weizmann, was the first president in 1948. (Reuters)
Britain's governing Conservative Party suffered a further blow Thursday with the death of Robert Adley, a popular member of Parliament,
cutting its majority to 18 in the House of Commons. (Reuters)

### TRAVEL UPDATE

### On Singapore Airlines, In-Flight Fax

SINGAPORE (Reuters) - Singapore Airlines said Thursday it had become the first commercial carrier to offer an in-flight fax service. It said the service was a companion to its satellite-linked Skyphone, begun in

Graphic images or texts can be transmitted for \$15 a page from a flight between Singapore and London. An in-flight phone call costs \$8.80 a minute. The airline to have 20 747s fitted by the end of 1994.

Hong Kong warned residents to avoid visits to Cambodia's Angkor temple complex because to recent lighting in the area. It reminded travelers of "violent incidents throughout Cambodia in the present unsettled political situation."

(AFP)

More than 100 schoolchildren were led to safety down a gangplank after their fetry foundered Thursday on a tiny Scottish island, rescuers said. The Maid of Forth ran aground at Inchcolm in the Firth of Forth, northeast of Edinburgh. The crew reported it was addiff with no engine power, Rescuers said 108 children and four adults were safe. (Reuters)

Portuguese men are the most likely to die through road accidents in the European Community, the EC statistics office said Thursday. The Portuguese are followed by Greeks and Belgians. Dutch, British and German men are the least at risk. The EC said 44.6 Portuguese men per 100,000

Thousands of Greek workers struck for 24 hours natiouwide on Thursday, disrupting industry, public services and transport, union officials said. The strike, for better pay and working conditions, was organized by the General Confederation of Greek Workers. (Reuters)

South African Airways has added Hamburg as its third destination in ... Germany. Two flights a week will start from Johannesburg on June 30. It also operates four weekly flights to Frankfurt and Munich. (AFP)

# Cash Machine on the Run: **Next-Generation Thief**

New York Times Service

HARTFORD. Connecticut — This is a tale of audacity, high-tech thievery and, to no small degree, loss of innocence. For it seems that even the lowly automated teller machine, so common as to be almost invisible in malls and marketplaces everywhere, is not always to be

For two weeks, an ATM machine - ordinary-looking in just about every way, but completely bogus — operated in a shopping mall near here, giving nothing but apologetic receipts that said no transactions were possible. Meanwhile, police investigators and bank officials say, the machine was recording the card numbers and the personal identification numbers that hundreds of customers entered in their vain attempts to make the machine dispense cash. Starting late last Friday in New York, while the machine was still running at the Buckland Hills Mall in Manchester, Connection, the first withdrawals began. Using counterfeit bank cards encoded with the numbers stolen from Connecticut customers, the thieves strolled

through midtown Manhattan, tapping into the 24-hour automated teller network. They have netted at least \$50,000 so far. There have been no arrests, and even the machine got away, carted

ont of the mall for repairs, by uniformed thieves. People who work at the mall, including some whose accounts were raided by thieves over the weekend, said perhaps the most astonishing aspect of the scheme was the ready acceptance of the machine as legitimate, even though it sat on wheels and louked temporary, and even though it never worked properly despite the efforts of a cleancut man who often seemed to be working on it. The repairman was so diligent, they said, that he even came in on Sunday mornings with his

## Citing Gains After 3 Years, **Blacks End Boycott of Miami**

Washington Post Service

economic clout to African-Ameri-"We wanted respect and we got

MIAMI — What began with a snub to Neison Mandels and became one of the longest and most bitter tourism boycotts in the Unit-ed States has ended after black ac-tivists won concessions from Hispanic and white leaders to give Miami, who make up about 20 per-blacks here more jobs and more cent of the population but own far

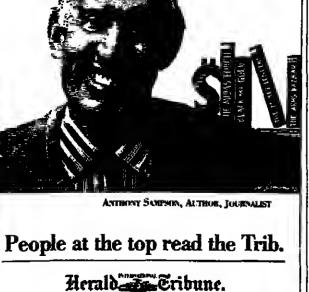
cant gains in offering political and Democrats.

it." said H.T. Smith, an attorney and one of the boycott leaders. Boycott leaders said that in the last three years much has been done to improve the lot of blacks in

fewer homes and businesses than Hispanics and whites. The black boycott of Miami, Because of redistricting, Dade which lasted almost three years and County now has four blacks on the

cost the city an estimated \$50 mil-lion, was called off because boycott sented in Congress by two black leaders say Miami and surrounding Americans, Representatives Carrie Dade County have made signifi- P. Meek and Alcee Hastings, both

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# Scandal Claims a 3d German Politician

WIESBADEN, Germany -- The minister for women's affairs in Germany's central Hesse state resigned Thursday, the third politician in two weeks to step down amid scan-

Heide Pfarr, a Social Democrat, resigned over disclosures that she had billed the government of Hesse, one of 16 states in Germa-oy, for about 50,000 Deutsche marks (\$31,000) to move into a new home and

redecorate an apartment. Her case mirrored a scandal that led to the resignation last week of Transportation Minister Günther Krause. He acknowledged having billed the government in 1991 to move, although the amount was far less - about 6,400 DM. Mr. Krause is from Chancellor

Helmut Kohl's Christian Democrats.

tion Social Democrats, quit political life earli-er last week after saying that he had lied to an official inquiry six years ago.

Scandal has hit all the main German parties in recent months, most involving abuse of privilege or dishonesty, and disillusionment is growing among voters, some of whom were already drifting to fringe parties on the right

In another regional scandal, the premier of Bavaria state is preparing to step down for taking free holidays from a businessman. Premier Max Streibl has said he would quit when Mr. Kohl's finance minister, Theo Waigel, and another Bavarian politician settle their dispute over who would take the vacant

his main rival won the favor of the state's governing party on Wednesday. Edmund Stoiber, the Bavarian interior minister, clear-ly rallied almost the whole Christian Social Union faction in the state assembly behind him in a show of force Mr. Waigel cannot match, they said.

If he still wants the job, Mr. Waigel must call a showdown vote that would almost cer-tainly end in his defeat and weaken his power as the party chairman, said the officials, who asked not to be named.

"There's oot much more left for Waigel to do," said another official, adding that the powerful district chiefs in the Bavarian party were also clearly behind Mr. Stoiber.
Mr. Waigel and Mr. Stoiber will meet over

the weekend to work out a smooth succession from Mr. Streibl's term. A final decision on the succession should be made soon, party

### Officials of the Christian Social Union said ursday that Mr. Waigel had almost no Björn Engholm, the leader of the opposi- chance of becoming Bavarian premier after leaders said.

Serbian General Keeps UN Aid From 'Safe Areas'

Washington Post Service
SARAJEVO — The commanding general of the Bosnian Serbs has barred UN humanitarian aid from reaching UN-mandated "safe areas" in eastern Bosnia and refused to pull back besieging troops in violation of a cease-fire agree-

ment he signed last week, United Nations officials said Thursday.

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former Yugoslavia, is the first Eastfor such guarantees since the end of the Cold War.] until he has been satisfied that Muslim fighters in two isolated

anti-aircraft missites to defend it would block food from getting to against possible reprisals from Serbia for its role in helping the alliphone call to officials from the UN ance in the Yugoslav crisis, diplomats told Reuters Thursday.

Hugary, a former Warsaw Pact spokeswoman for the relief agenmember that shares a border with cy's offices in the Serbian capital. ern European nation to ask NATO formed UN military officials that

John McMillan, spokesman for the High Commissioner for Refugees in Sarajevo, referring to General Mladic, who is on a U.S. State





In addition, the general has in-In Brussels, Hungary has asked
NATO for security guarantees and
The Bosnian Scrb, General castern enclaves — Zepa and SreNATO for security guarantees and
Ratko Mladic, announced that be brenica — have been completely disarmed, he will not ease the siege of those territories, said Colonel Marcel Valentin, the French commander of UN forces in Sarajevo.

Both maneuvers defy an agree-ment General Mladic signed Satur-day with the Bosnian Muslim commander, Sefer Halilovic, officials said. The agreement specifies that Serbian fighters would withdraw from positions around Srebrenica

Department list of alleged war



pears to be using a time-tested Scr-bian tactic — that of never fully carrying out any accord that might

Serbian guns, which could resume firing on a moment's notice.

and Zepa at the same time as Musim combatants surrendered their arms to UN troops, and that food, clothes and medicine would be allowed into the areas immediately.

This is a direct violation of the agreement that he signed," said



The significance of General Mla-dic's move is twofold. On one level, stopped short of endorsing specific the former officer in the Yugoslav measures, such as air strikes against national army, whom UN officials the Serbs or arming the Bosnian depict as tough if not brutal, apsteps may be needed to end the

In military developments Thursderail plans to "cleanse" certain areas of Muslims. day, Muslim and Croatian troops fought for the fifth straight day in Mostar, despite their commanders' Secondly, on the assumption that the establishment of more "safe areas" is in Bosnia's future, signatures on yet another UN-brokered cease-fire. (Reuters, AP) the general seems committed to ensuring that —despite cease-fires — these areas remain surrounded by

■ U.S. Hesitant on Troops The White House said Thursday that America's European allies want U.S. troops sent to Kosovo as well as Macedonia to keep tha war io Bosnia-Herzegovina from spreading, but that such a move is not imminent

"Putting people in Macedonia or Kosovo, which is not something which is actively being pursued right now, would be a means of containing the conflict," said Dee Dee Myers, the White House

stationed in the former Yugoslav republic of Macedonia under the aegis of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe. Ms. Myers said an expansion of this force was "being looked at." Kosovo is an autonomous prov ince of Serbia, so in principle outside forces could not be placed there without Serbian approval. Asked about the deployment of U.S. troops in Kosovo, where ethnic Albanians are potentially at

something that has been raised by the allies, but no decisions have Meanwhile, Roman Catholic bishops in the United States have declared that military force is morally justified to protect largely helpless civilians from the fighting. In a letter to Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher, the head of an episcopal policymaking body supported military intervention to end "the increasing horror" and

"untold human suffering."

"We have some specific prob-lems in the agricultural area, which everybody knows," Mr. Noboru said, referring to the implacable opposition of Japan's farming in-A small multinational force that does not now include U.S. troops is

> erty protection, tariffs and rule-making areas — the Japanese gov-ernment has been making been making considerable contribo-

processed foods, copper, wood products and alcoholic beverages. risk of being overrun by Serbian nationalists, Ms. Myers said: "It's



Mr. Clinton at a Democratic fund-raising dinner in New York.

# **Company Pensions** Vanishing in U.S.

By David A. Vise

WASHINGTON - Millions of American workers will lack the money to support themselves as they grow older because of a drastic decline in the popularity of company-provided pensions, according to interviews with dozens of experts and several recent studies.

The rapid demise of pensions, one of the most profound changes in retirement benefits in decades, is the latest example of companies transferring financial risks and costs to their employees.

For decades, thousands of American companies provided employees with pensions. But in the last several years, large firms have embraced savings plans that rely heavily on voluntary employee contributions. In addition, most small and midsize companies - which have created

most of the new jobs in recent years—have abandoned pension plans, opting for savings plans or no retirement benefits at all.

The major problem, experts said, is that many employees do not participate in savings plans. And among those who do, many withdraw their money and spend it while they are still working, leaving little if any funds for extinguent.

This trend away from pensions is going to dramatically increase the number of older Americans who cannot make ends meet in retirement," said Karen Ferguson, director of the Washington-based Pension Rights Center. "It is a shocking trend, it is recognized by everybody in the

pension community, but nobody is speaking out about it."

J. Carter Beese Jr., a Securius and Exchange Commission member who has been studying the shift, agreed that the heavy reliance on what are called 401(k) savings plans will produce major problems as baby boomers approach retirement age.

Many employees, faced with a choice between voluntary saving for retirement and what they perceive as more pressing needs—from buying a new car to paying the mortgage, medical bills, education and vacation expenses—choose not to participate in their 401(k) savings plans, he

By the time they reach their late 40s or early 50s and begin worrying about retirement, it is usually too late for them to amass enough savings

in 401(k) plans, he said.

"A whole generation of people are going to wake up years from now and say, 'God, I wish I had known when I was 32 that I should have been putting this money in," said Myron Mintz, chairman of the federal Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp.'s advisory committee and a partner at the Washington law firm of Dickstein, Shapiro & Morin.

At Apple Computer Inc. — where more than 90 percent of employees participate in a 40 (k) plan — many have withdrawn funds and spent

them on housing and other items while they are still working. In California, where Apple is based, "housing costs are so high and tax

rates are high," said Sherrie Grabot, manager of the 401(k) plan at Apple. People need something to give them a tax break in the short run so they can save for the house. Our here where real estate values appreciate faster than anything but medical costs, that is not necessarily a bad thing."

Mr. Beese disagrees. "The baby boomers are leasing a lifestyle from the last third of their life," he said. "If you are going to use retirement assets to fund current consumption, you are leasing from your future standard

The growing cost and complexity of federal regulation of pension plans is one of the main reasons many companies now shun them.

Virtually all major employers offer 401(k) savings plans and their apopularity has increased so much in the past decade that they now cover more than 36 million active workers, roughly 10 million more than are covered by traditional pension plans, according to David George Ball, as assistant labor secretary under President George Bush and is a partner with the Williams, Mullen, Christian & Dobbins law firm.

Mr. Ball calls traditional pension plans "dinosaurs" and says the shift to 401(k) plans especially benefits employees who change jobs frequently. Traditional pension plans tend to favor those who stay with a single employer for many years. Many of the large employers offering employees both types of plans are putting most of their new retirement dollars into savings plans, he said.

### **Away From Politics**

 About 200 would-be Chinese immigrants on a rusty, leaking trawler came ashore Wednesday in San Diego. The vessel, the second such boat to reach the West Coast in recent weeks, was forced to dock by the Coast Guard. Officials said the 200 undocumented immigrants had paid between \$8,000 and \$20,000 to make the voyage.

 Sunscreens and tanning products should carry warnings on the dangers of sun exposure, the Food and Drug Administration pro-posed. It also urged that cosmetic products that only promote tanning, but do not screen against the harmful rays, caution that they do not protect against sunburn. "There is overwhelming evidence that overexposure to radiation from the sun is a health hazard," the agency head, David A. Kessler, said.

 Buildozers rolled across the rubble of the compound of the Branch Davidian cult near Waco, Texas, prompting complaints from the lawyer of a person killed in the fiery end to a standoff with federal agents. Jack Zimmermann, the lawyer for Steve Schneider, said the bulldozing would hamper independent investigation of the site. The compound burned to the ground April 19, killing 86 people.

· A former San Francisco police officer pleaded not guilty to charges of stealing government documents and conspiracy. Tom Gerard, 50, is suspected of passing confidential police information to a San Francisco art dealer, Roy Bullock. According to court papers, he in turn sold information to South African agents and was also in the pay of the Anti-Defamation League, a Jewish group. Investigators say they collected information on rightist groups, apartheid foes, Arab activists and anti-Jewish groups. Mr. Bullock has not been charged and denies wrongdoing.

• Laws that would have revoked licenses in Virginia of suspected drunk drivers and increased penalties for illegal buyers of pistols have been killed in a squabble between Governor L. Douglas Wilder and the General Assembly. Legislative leaders asserted that the governor signed an invalid version of the drunken driving bill. The gun bills died in a dispute over amendments. LAT, AP, Reuters, WP

# Clinton's Shrinking Jobs Plan

running ont, the Chinton administration has offered congressional across-the-board cuts in other do-Democrats yet another suggestion for salvaging its jobs program, this time a \$900 million version, about one-eighteenth the size of its origi-

A day earlier, the White House aggested a nearly \$4 billion pro-House who guide appropriations.

The latest Democratic proposal, economy.

which includes \$300 million for Other critics believe that it is summer jobs, \$200 million to engetting so late in the fiscal year that billion worth of tax cuts for busiable cities to hire additional police even if a bill were adopted in the nesses, the well-to-do and holders was said by some to show the ad-

as part of a 1993 supplemental under mounting pressure from lib-spending bill awaiting action by the cral Democratic House members to Washington Post Service spending bill awaiting action by the House Appropriations Committee, would be paid for with offsetting,

mestic programs.

The administration is trying to satisfy Senate Republicans.

The chairman of the House Apsuggested a nearly \$4 billion proposal, but that one got a cool reception from Senate Democratic leaders and some Democratic in the Robert C. Byrd, Democrat of West ouse who guide appropriations. Virginia, have asserted that ap-Republicans, meanwhile, have proving a jobs bill that did not offered their own proposal, which involve deficit spending would do they say would create 800,000 jobs. virtually nothing to stimulate the

officers and \$400 million for waste- next few weeks, it would make no water treatment projects of the En- appreciable difference in this summer's employment outlook. However, the White House, anx-

push through a scaled-back version of the original \$16.3 billion jobs bill adopted by the House.

An aide to Mr. Foley said Wednesday that the leadership was come up with a plan that does not add to the 1993 deficit, in order to other jobs package, it ran the risk of Other jobs package, it ran the risk of losing crucial Democratic support for the overall budget and tax bill, which is to come to a vote later this

> Republicans Offer Plan Senate Republicans unveiled a package of tax breaks Wednesday that they said would create 800,000

month in the House.

jobs, The Associated Press report-The plan, in stark contrast to Mr. Clinton's proposal, proposes \$36.6 nesses, the well-to-do and holders of individual retirement accounts.

The tax breaks would be more

than offset by \$45.7 billion worth of spending cuts, mostly by reducministration's desperation ions to pacify big-city Democratic ing administrative expenses, reductions and a House Democratic source familiar with the negotiations.

The \$900 million plan, proposed in workers, and cutting the source of the s

### An Issue of Trust, Hotty Debated

WASHINGTON — Congressional Democrats leapt to President Bill Clinton's defense after Republicans harshly criticized his plan to create a deficit-reduction trust fund.

The White House said the proposal proved Mr. Clinton's commitment to limiting government debt. Republicans called it a public relations ploy that would have no real effect on cutting the

This idea takes the blue ribbon as the most genuinely phony proposal I have ever seen on the American budget," said Senator Phil Gramm, Re-publican of Texas. "I think this is a transparent attempt to mislead the American people."

But the House speaker, Thomas S. Foley, Demo-crat of Washington, said the fund would help persuade people "that taxes that will be levied are exclusively for the purpose of deficit reduction."

The chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, Jim Sasser, Democrat of Tennessee, noted that the budget plan approved by Congress last month already contained caps making it hard for lawmak-ers to drive up the deficit.

But he said: "President Clinton is attempting to assure the American people that all of his proposed tax increases will go toward reducing the deficit. That is a laudable goal."

(AP) Reno Pushes Abortion Clinic Bill

WASHINGTON - Attorney General Janet Reno has urged Congress to move swiftly to make violence or threats against abortion providers and women seeking abortions a federal offense.

Testifying before the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee. Ms. Reno asserted that the legislation would not threaten the free-speech rights of abortion foes.

She said it was needed because "in recent years, anti-abortion activists have increased the intensity of their activities from picketing to physical block-ades, sabotage of facilities, stalking and harassing abortion providers, arson, bombing and the murder of a doctor at a Florida abortion clinic.

The hearing produced little direct criticism of the bill, introduced by Senator Edward M. Kenne-dy, Democrat of Massachusetts, who heads the

### **Quote/Unquote**

Ellie McCully, who had brought her son to see Bill Clinton when the president visited New York: "Why isn't there more of a crowd? When the Pope came to town, every street was packed with people
—and there was torrential rain." (NYT)

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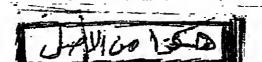
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Self-Rule Issue Still Unresolved

WASHINGTON - Israelis and Palestinians ended their ninth round of peace talks Thursday without reaching an agreement on the principles of Palestinian selfrule in the Israeli-occupied West

Bank and Gaza Strip. Haidar Abdel-Shafi, the chief Palestinian negotiator, said, "I regret to say that we did not reach agreement that permits a declaration about agreed principles. So we cad this round without reaching this hoped-for agreement.

"I want to assure you," he said, "that we remain committed to the peace process and we hope that this peace process will acquire more credibility that will permit progress in the future."
The United States intervened di-

rectly in the talks for the first time Wednesday and presented a paper rying to bridge the differences on self-rule. Washington had bar-gained since December to persuade the Palestinians to resume the talks in April, and it has been deter-mined that this round should produce a solid result after 18 months

But an Israeli official said the U.S. proposal was not even discussed at the final meeting.

Mr. Abdel-Shafi said the Pales-

tinians had not rejected the U.S. document, which he described as a progress report," and added that stinians were meeting with U.S. officials on Thursday to dis-

This contradicted a statement by the Palestine Liberation Organization in Tunis, the second time in two days that a PLO announcement has been at odds with actions of the Palestinian delegation in

Yasser Abed Rabbo, the PLO's information chief, said the U.S. draft was not a compromise but a remake of Israeli proposals, and could not be discuss

He said the United States had taken "a dangerous step because it means that the U.S. sponsor is openly siding with Israel after com-mitting itself to take a neutral and



CHECKING IN FOR PEACEKEEPING — A Mozambican immigration official examining the papers of one of six Japanese soldiers who arrived Thursday as part of a UN peacekeeping force that includes 185 Bangladeshi troops. Forty-two more Japanese troops are to arrive Monday.

# Japan Whaling Bid Rejected

Panel Denies Tokyo's Request for a One-Time Catch

The Associated Press KYOTO, Japan - Japan suf-fered a setback Thursday in its efforts to weaken a commercial whaling ban when its request for a limited coastal catch was decisively rejected by the International Whal-

With the commission meeting in Japan for the first time in 25 years, Tokyo had pushed hard for an emergency one-time allocation of 50 minke whales, arguing that whaling was an "integral part of the

But the Japanese request fell far short of the three-quarters needed for approval, with 10 yes votes, 16 against and 6 abstaining.

Japanese officials had said Topullout was considered unlikely be- scientific committee says minkes

cause Japan fears it might have Since the annual meeting opened Monday, Japan has been attacking the moratorium as an attempt to make whales "the sacred cows of

Tokyo's chief delegate, Kazno Shima, harshly criticized the antiwhaling countries, saying Japan had been seeking relief from the ban for years and had constantly been led to believe that would someday take place.

Anti-whaling countries had called the Japanese request an attempt to set the stage for the resumption of large-scale commer-

Japan and Norway had wanted to resume commercial hunting of kyo might quit the commission if the moratorium were upheld. But a of great whales. The commission's

ing many to return home.

and a half years ago as a result of the Gulf War. The host countries

would deduct 5 percent from sala-

ries and pass it to the PLO, an

But Hanan Ashrawi, the spokes

tion, said, "This is our money - it

cannot be considered assistance

Meanwhile, there is hope among Palestinians that the Gulf states

will resume their contributions, es-

pecially now that Mr. Arafat has

returned his delegation to the peace

states to do the same.

from Arab Gulf states."

without depleting stocks. Environmentalists say the ban is

justified because whale population

counts are extremely imprecise. Norway said before the meeting that it intended to resume the commercial hunt with or without the commission's approval. It also has threatened to quit the commission, as Iceland did last year.

Karsten Klepsvik, Oslo's ambassador to Tokyo and a member of

the Norwegian delegation, said Thursday there had been no change

in Norway's plan to restart com-mercial whaling soon.

Still awaiting action Thursday
was a French plan to create a whale

Instead, the spokesman empha-sized Beijing's desire for improved ties and said this message was con-veyed to Mr. Lord, the U.S. assissanctuary in the Antarctic, It won tant secretary of state for East preliminary approval by a techni- Asian and Pacific affairs, who end-cal panel earlier this week but was ed a three-day visit on Wednesday. thought oot to have the votes to pass the full commission.

Mr. Wu described Mr. Lord's talks with Chinese officials as "seri-ous and candid," and added, "Chi-na and the United States still have broad and important common in-

made no new demands of the Chinese, but urged them to keep past pledges on arms sales and trade.

Yearly Tests Cut Colorectal Cancer Deaths curable stage, before symptoms were apparent. The test also turned up many adenomatous

polyps, lesions in the bowel considered pre-NEW YORK - After decades of debate and inconclusive findings, a major study has shown The life-saving benefit was found even that a yearly test can significantly reduce deaths though only 46 percent of the screened group took all 11 of the offered tests. from colorectal cancer, the second leading

A drawback to the findings, however, is that because fecal blood can be caused by benign conditions, people with positive results on the screening test have to undergo costly follow-up exams to determine whether they actually have

The study was published Thursday in The New England Journal of Medicane.

The findings suggest that if all Americans over age 50 took the test every year, more than a

quarter of a million lives would be saved over the next 13 years, based on current incidence

The American Cancer Society estimates that 152,000 cases of this cancer will be diagnosed this year, and 57,000 Americans, the vast majority of them over 50, will die of the disease, which ranks behind lung cancer as a cause of death among Americans

Dr. Sidney J. Wingwer, chief of the gastroenterology and nutrition service at the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York, said that according to the findings, 1 in 10 people who are not considered at high risk for colon cancer will have a positive stool test, "and in this group you'll find 92 percent of the colon

# China Eases Up on Threats to U.S. Over Trade

BELING - China said Thursday that it "firmly opposed" U.S. conditions on trade privileges, but emphasized its desire for both countries to narrow their differences and stopped short of threatening retaliation.

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cause of cancer deaths among Americans.

In the 13-year study, those in a group ran-

domly chosen to undergo annual tests for blood in their stools experienced 33 percent fewer

deaths from cancers of the colon and rectum

than did those in a similar group who were not

The study, conducted among 46,551 Minne-

sota residents, showed that the screening could

detect many colorectal cancers at an early and

A U.S. official, Winston Lord, said here Wednesday that the renewal next month of China's mostfavored-nation trade status would "very likely" be linked to progress in human rights, trade and arms

An official in the Lord delegation, who requested anonymity, lat-er said that Beijing would have to make "dramatic progress not to have some kind of conditions." Reacting to Mr. Lord's an-nouncement, a Chinese Foreign

Ministry spokesman, Wu Jianmin, said Thursday: "We are firmly op-posed to any move to attach any conditions to the MFN status." But Beijing appeared to back away from earlier rhetoric over the

issue. It had warned that most-favored-nation conditions were "unacceptable" and hinted that it would take sanctions. "The U.S. government has not made an official decision on the question of China's MFN status," Mr. Wu said, when asked if Beijing

would retaliate, "so it is still too early to answer your question."
He also declined to say if China would cancel contracts signed with American companies.

Instead, the spokesman empha-

The U.S. official said Mr. Lord can affect flight instruments. "Our laptop computers don't and then calmed when passengers

The United States offers mostfavored-nation status to most of its ing partners, making them digible for the lowest available tariffs on their exports. However, China's inclusion must be renewed each

Ever since China's army crushed

that satellite photos indicate China is shipping M-11 missiles or parts to Pakistan.

George Bush vetoed all such bills. Meanwhile, the prime minister of Singapore warned the United

States and its allies that pressure on China over human rights and other issues could backfire. Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong, in Tokyo on a visit, said be felt convinced that Beijing would push ahead with economic reforms and,

June by the president. create a market economy open to a peaceful pro-democracy move-ment in 1989, the U.S. Congress demands that China improve its has tried to lift China's most-fa-human rights record and curtail althe outside world. But American

The United States said last week vored-nation status or impose con-that satellite photos indicate China ditions on renewal, but President such progress, he added.

"We should understand that Chinese leaders suspect that the West wants to use human rights as a tool to pressure them and change their political system," he said. "The Chinese leaders could react in many ways that would make life extremely uncomfortable for all of

He went on to say Asia was concerned about China's potential to become a "military threat."

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Still the aircraft builders find themselves in an awkward position. There's a real perception issue here," Mr. Walen said.

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were asked to turn off electronic "The anecdotal evidence becomes data," said Bill Reynard, di-

rector of the program. Association, an association of 214 airlines, said its members had reported more than 50 incidents.

A memo from Swissair sent to the organization studying the issue for the Federal Aviation Administration noted that during the last two years, it had two incidents caused by CD players. In both cases, the airline wrote, the inter-ference "could be verified by switching the players on and off. use of CD players.

## Police in Stockholm

**Bugged by Gangsters** 

The Associated Press STOCKHOLM - Criminal organizations have bugged the Swedish police headquarters and listened to investigators interrogating witnesses, the police said Thursday.

This might explain why we haven't been able to keep our secrets," said Gunnar Severin, head of the criminal investigation de-

# MONEY: Loss of Gulf Funding Squeezes West Bank

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vices, such as day-care centers and health clinics. Still angry at Mr. Arafat for his embrace of Mr. Saddam, the Sandis have refused to resume the old practice of sending money directly to PLO headquarters in Tunis. Before the Gulf War, this aid amounted to \$28 million quarterly, PLO

sources said. But Prince Saud al Faisal, the foreign minister, recently met to discuss the issue in Cairo with the Palestinian leader Faisal Husseini, considered Mr. Arafat's most senior lieutenant in the territories; Mr. Husseini's associate, Sach Erekat, and Saced Kamai, the PLO's

representative to Egypt.
According to Intizar Wazir, the head of the social affairs department of the PLO in Jordan, and other PLO Central Committee members, the Saudis have pledged an initial \$20 million to cover specific projects. The money is to come from the Jerusalem Fund, based in

Riyadh and headed by the Saudi For the first time, the sources said, the PLO leadership in Tunis has authorized Mr. Husseini to receive funds directly, an acknowledgment of his enduring power in the territories and his oewly promineat role as head of the peace talks delegation, Recently, Mr. Husseini was elevated to the PLO's highest o decision making body, the Execu-

tive Committee, giving him even The financial pinch on Palestin-

ian institutions has had widespread repercussions.

'It came at a time when economie conditioos are not exactly blooming," Mr. Baramki said, referring to the collapse of Gulf re-mittances and the closure of the occupied territories by Israel.

The most striking cut has been the aid to families of those killed and imprisoned during the intifada. By some estimates, as many as 90,000 families in the West Bank and Gaza have gotten support through the PLO's social affairs

A young West Bank Palestinian recalled that in the early days of the intifada, such aid flooded the region as the Arab states sought to show their solidarity. When he was injured at the beginning of the up-rising, the Palestinian said, a man showed up at his house to give him \$180. When he refused, saying he did oot need the money, the man insisted that he take it, and give it

away if he wanted. "Tons of money was pouring in," the young man recalled. Now, however, Palestioiaos come back from the PLO office in

Jordan with promises but no cash. A PLO official in Tunis said the PLO's budget was first reduced from \$320 million a year to \$270 million and then to \$150 million. Mr. Arafat has imposed travel restrictions, cut salaries by 18 percent, closed PLO missions in Africa and some Scandinavian countries

**CLINTON:** ians coorribute toward medical

Troop Review care that used to be free, Scholarships for Palestinians studying (Continued from page 1)

abroad have been cut in half, force on the Vance-Owen peace proposal. He added that it needed to he The PLO reportedly has large overseas assets, estimated at from \$2 billion to \$16 billion, but Mr. verified if the border between Serbia and Bosnia had been sealed, as President Slobodan Milosevic of Arafat has been trying to avoid Serbia has pledged, and to "look at depleting these reserves. One Arab intelligence source said Mr. Arafat

The president mentioned the was eager to improve his image as a moderate in international eyes and French proposal to have Ameririd himself of the burden of financcans join the international forces that will protect the "safe havens" ing costly military or other operaauthorized by the United Nations in Bosnia where civilian populations he oo longer finds occessary to promote the Palestinian cause. tions can be concentrated and pro-For years the PLO had benefited from a so-called liberation tax paid by all Palestinians working in Gulf

"Let me say that I'm not there yet," he said, "based on the way the countries, until it was halted two project has been described. I don't think it would be wise unless we had an idea of how this would lead to a comprehensive political solu-

amount that ran up to hundreds of While saying he could oot offer a "yes right oow" to having the U.S. troops in safe havens, he said, "the millions of dollars. Saudi Arabia has recently resumed those transfers to the PLO, and last month, most compelling argument for that move would be to halt ethnic Prince Saud called on other Gulf cleansing and violence there."

Likewise, he said the U.S. could woman for the peace talks delega-

"partly" achieve its objective of "leveling the playing field" by em-ploying air strikes "to disarm or reduce the armaments available to But he expressed strong reservations about the effectiveness of air

power in this limited way and said "the position of the United States is that the best use of the air option is as a backup to buying time to bet-ter equip the Bosnians to defend On the domestic front, Mr. Clinton acknowledged that he would

spending package to achieve the larger deficit reduction to which he agreed in the congressional budget Mr. Clinton said he had made a "oristake" by failing to travel around the country to sell his eco-nomic package after the first week

following its unveiling in February. "I believe we had a week's worth of strategy after Feb. 17 and we needed a month's worth," he said. Mr. Clinton said he had ordered a time-management study to assess how he had spent his time during his first 100 days in office.

He said the study showed that he was devoting about 25 percent of his time to such national security issues as Russian aid and Bosnia, and about 40 percent of his time on the economy and health care. Only two and a half hours, he said, had been spent on the one

issue that has left a lasting impres-

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### ITALY: Andreotti Loses Immunity Amid New Arrests

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magistrates to continue their investigations into Mr. Andreotti would have been unthinkable. For decades, be was viewed as an emblem of postwar Italy's Machiavellian political life and its unassailable

Since last year, however, electoral losses by traditional parties and ever-widening judicial investiga-tions into vast official corruption - some of it linked to organized crime - have discredited many of the politicians who thrived on the Cold War to entrench a pork-barrel political order that most Italians

now repudiate. The fall from favor is most

### 3 Candidates to Oppose Raisanjani in Iran Vote

NICOSIA (Reuters) - President Hashemi Rafsanjani will run against three other candidates in presidential elections June 11, Tehran Radio said Thursday.

Mr. Rafsamani, 58, a cleric who is pushing free-market reforms, is widely expected to win a second four-year term. The other candidates are: Ahmad Tavakkoli, a former labor

minister, Abdollah Jashi, chancel-

for of the Islamic Open University.

and a former member of parlia-

ment, Rajahali Tahen.

he served in virtually ever major office in Italy's postwar history and implanted a network of power and contacts that now seems to be un-

On Wednesday, one of his clos-est associates, Franco Nobili, head of the country's biggest public conglomerate, Istituto per la Ricostruzione Industriale, was arrested on corruption charges.

"Where are they now, the sycophants who used to wership him and take his rewards" said Carmine Mancuso, a Sicilian senator from the small auti-Mafia La Rete party, speaking of Mr. Andreotti. The charges against Mr. Andreotti stem from the testimony of Mafia informers who have accused him of protecting the mob and even

"I do not know, nor have I ever in my life known, any of the personalities of the crime world with whom my name has been wrongfully associated," Mr. Andreotti, a life secator, told the upper house

of meeting and embracing Mr.

Listing anti-Malia manures he had introduced while in office, he law-enforcement officers rounded declared. "I have a clear conscience that I have always faithfully observed my cath of loyalty to the constitution and the laws of the

Mr Andreotti has said he wants

his immunity lifted so that he can

clear his name. The suspension of

his parliamentary unmunity on

shocking for Mr. Andrectti, since Thursday permits investigators to have to delay immediate imple-he served in virtually ever major question him and pursue their inquiries, but does not allow them to search his home or office or arrest

It was not clear on Thursday when, or if, he would come to trial. The number of Mafia turncoats giving secret testimony to the authorities has increased dramatically since broader witness-protection programs were enacted last year.

The information has enabled investigators in Sicily and elsewhere to hunt down scores of boodlums including Carmine Alfieri, sup-posed head of the Neapolitan Camorra, and Domenico Libri, presumed boss of the Calabrian 'Ndrangheta, as well as Mr. Riina.

The latest sweeps begao Wednesday when police in Italy. Germany and France arrested 36 suspected gangsters from the Ca-morra and the Sicilian Mafia. They are accused of running a \$1.5 billion operation to recycle drug money through banks, insurance com-panies and hotels and casinos in ban on homosexuals in the mili-Italy and on the French Riviera.

up low-ranking gangsters accused of helonging to two clans embroiled in extortion, murder and narcotics. Between the Western Sicilian

Agence France-Presse BANGKOK - A major fire has swept through the center of the Burmese town of Myingyan, stateruo Radio Raogoon reported

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# Swearing Off the Bomb

While there was little doubt in the 1980s that South Africa was working on ouclear weapons, the full story turns out to be much more distorbing. Building them was not terribly difficult. It was costly, but far from prohibitive even for a small country with a national economy half the size of Mexico's. Foreign intelligence was not particularly clective in tracking the progress of the

work or the sites where it was being done.

The project began in 1974, and by the time it ended in 1990 South Africa had six nuclear bombs ready for war and a seventh in production. As R. Jeffrey Smith reported the other day in The Washington Post, the South Africans were able to build the bombs largely with their own scientists and technical resources. The history of the South African bombs confirms and amplifies the lessons of the Iraqi and North Korean nuclear weapons programs. If the great majority of the world's governments realistically want to prevent the further spread of these fearful weapons, they are going to bave to work harder at it.

For the countries that have promised by treaty not to develop them, like Iraq, inspections are going to have to be much more rigorous and intrusive. It needs to be less easy to drop out of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty - to escape inspections - as North Korea now wants to do. For the countries that never signed the treaty, like South Africa, one requirement should be broad and stringent trade sanctions better enforced than in the past. Countries that refuse to take the pledge will have to pay the price of being cut off from much modern technology.

But South Africa, after having built those bombs, decided several years ago to give them up. It has now destroyed all of them. One reason was diplomatic persuasion from other countries, including the United States. Another was the great change in the world. The South African government built its bombs in some part out of fear of inva-sion by some of its neighboring states, supported by the Soviet Union. The Soviet Union has collapsed, South Africa's white government is moving toward sharing power with the country's majority black popula-tion, and the invasion obsession has receded

The best and most effective way to discourage nuclear weapons is to persuade countries that they will actually be safer without them. That is the conclusion to which the South Africans finally came, and in that respect South Africa's decision represents a success for enlightened nuclear politics and arms control

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

## Hit Men From Colombia

Fourteen months have passed since Co-lombian drug lords murdered Manuel de Dios Unanue in New York City for writing muckraking stories about the drug trade. As time slipped by, anguished friends and family asserted that police were dragging their feet because Mr. de Dios was from the Spanish-language press and little known to the English-speaking audience. Not so, The portrait of the investigation that emerged this week showed that police had worked quietly but doggedly to break the case. The results so far should provide solace for Mr. de Dios's friends and family. For President ill Clinton and his new drug czar, Lee Brown, this murder should be an alarming reminder of how deeply the Colombian drug lords have penetrated American defenses.

The man charged with planning the murder turns out to have been in jail for nearly a year on a drug charge. A grand jury has now indicted him, as well as another man suspected of pulling the trigger. In all, five suspects are under arrest and several others

are being sought in Colombia, Mr. de Dios was the former editor in chief of El Diario-La Prensa, New York's largest Spanish-language daily. At the time of his death he had just published the premiere issue of Crimen, his crime magazine. The issue offered an organization chart of the Cali cartel, the Colombian group that controls much of the world drug trade and is particularly strong in the Jackson Heights section of Queens, where Mr. de Dios was murdered.

In Colombia it is common practice for drug barons to murder journalists. But Mr. de Dios was the first journalist to be slain by foreign drug lords in the United States. What is startling is that it is not uncommon for the drug lords to send hit men to the United States, to kill mostly low-ranking drug workers. The de Dios murder is only a modest departure from that practice.

Listen to Robert C. Bonner of the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration: They send hit men to New York oo a regular basis to kill people. They usually target people who have violated some rule, or people they think have ripped off money or dope. Apparently they have extended this to journalists they don't like."

It comes as welcome news that police have broken the de Dios case. But this murder was an act of terrorism and oeeds to be treated as such. The Clinton administration must see that those who ordered it are brought to justice.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

# Low-Paid and Neglected

U.S. House of Representatives was asked to choose the other day between protecting the old-age and disability benefits of tens of thousands of low-paid domestic workers and making life easier for these workers' employers. Guess who won.

The losers, if the committee vote survives, will again be precisely among the working poor, whom both political parties profess to want nothing more than 10 reward. They are mostly women who do do-mestic work on a regular basis for a oumber of families each week. The motion to proteet them was made on a combination of leminist and fairness grounds by Represen-tative Barbara Kennelly of Connecticut, one of two women on the 38-member Ways and Means panel. She had the nominal support of the Clinton administration, won the support of four of the committee's 14 Republicans including the other woman member, Representative Nancy Johnson and still lost. The motion failed on a 19-19 tie. Thus does the liberal Democratic House

make social policy.

The issue is the wage threshold above which, on domestic work, the Social Socurity tax must be paid. The threshold is part of the broader problem most recently brought to the nation's attention by President Bill Clinton's failed first nomince to be attorney general, Zee Baird. A lot of families who owe taxes on their domestic employees don't pay

them. How to make them comply? Raising the thresheld is part of the answer. It is not just a matter of defining the problem out of existence. Currently the Social Security tax is owed on any household employee paid more than \$50 a quar-

The Ways and Means Committee of the ter. The figure has been the same for 43 years; if people didn't ignore it, they would be filling out forms and paying tax even on baby sitters. A Ways and Means subcommittee, however, in trying to solve the one problem created another. It proposed to lift the threshold to about \$1,800 a year, which would indeed mean a lot less paperwork. But it also would mean a lot less coverage, since Social Security benefits are earned on the basis of wages on which taxes are paid.

The Social Security actuary estimates that as many as 300,000 domestic workers a year — 40 percent of those oo whose wages taxes are now paid — would lose some benefits, and some would be knocked out of the program entirely. Many of these are workers whose total earnings would be well above the threshold but are split among too many employers to qualify.

Representative Kennelly proposed a cutoff instead of \$1,000 a year; there would still be losers, but nowhere near as many. The administration urged a similar compromise. The subcommittee nonetheless pre-vailed, in part on prerogative grounds; it would oot do, you understand, to overrule so august a body as a subcommittee, no matter how wrong it is.

The likely House rules also will be such that no amendment will be in order on the floor. That would leave it up to the Senate or the conference committee to preserve for people at the bottom of the economic heap the hard-earned benefits that the Ways and Means Committee would incredibly - strip away from them for the purpose of making life a little less onerous

for their busy employers.

— THE WASHINGTON POST.

### Other Comment

### Change Goes On in Mexico

Some members of Mexico's ruling party, the PRI, tried to pull a fast one [last week] in the southern state of Yucatan. The local PRI-controlled legislature and governor tried to postpone elections scheduled for November, fearing that a contested election could adversely affect their party just prior to the selection of its presidential candidate. Yucatan's PRI Establishment wound up having to back down in the face of a local public outery and negative publicity.

President Carlos Salinas de Gortari is being criticized for the foiled attempt to even in the provinces, when Mexicans propostpone Yucatan's election. But the blame test they expect things to change. appears to lie with old-line PRI members

who have been resisting the president's at-

who take been resisting the president's at-tempt at political and economic reform.

While such attempts at subverting de-mocracy certainly embarrass Mr. Salinas, they do not mean that his nation's political reform is lagging behind economic progress. The political change in Mexico is undemable: There are now three governors from an opposition party, a very large num-ber of the country's state capitals have op-position mayors; almost half of Congress is in the hands of the opposition. The popular reaction to situations like the Yucatán fiasco indicate that things are changing. Now,

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# **American Protection Worked for Kurds**

By William Safire

WASHINGTON — Remember those gut-wrenching pictures two years ago of Kurdish villagers fleeing the wrath of the defeated Saddam Hussein, tearfully aban-doning their homes, children freezing in the snow?

Americans' horror at the sight of that first televised exodus drove President George Bush into doing what his advisers warned against: intervening in the complex internal affairs of Iraq, with all its ancient ethnic hatreds and vengeful savago-ry. U.S. air cover sealed off most of the Kurdish portion of northern Iraq, creating a haven for the targets of genocide.

Let's see how the intervention, so

ardently derided by geo-pragmatists as prelude to some awful national memberment," is working out. Kurdish tribes and clans have stopped bickering and elected a parliament, forming a united front with Iraqi Shiites and Sunnis against Sad-dam Hussein.

Cooperating with Turkey to the north, where 10 million Kurds live, Pesh Merga fighters behind Mas-soud Barzani successfully took on the Marxist terrorist Kurds. This helps remove Turkish fears of a territorial threat from an autonomous region that might turn into an independent country called Kurdistan. With about \$50 million in U.S.

farm equipment and seed grain, the nascent democracy has begun to feed and shelter its 4 million people. Two universities have been opened. But the Kurds in the mountains are by no means out of the woods. Saddam has canceled the currency, scaled off crossing points and raised the price of produce to pull the food out of the Kurdish area. Life is hard;

the freed Kurds seed help. But they are oo longer being wiped out. Quietly, two weeks ago, a delega-tion of Kurds, Sunnis and Shiites including Massoud Barzani came to Washington. Accustomed to being shunted off to a third assistant nobody in the Bush administration, they were received by Vice President Al Gore, Secretary of State Warren Christopher and the national securi-

ty adviser, Anthony Lake.
"We accept their verbal assurances." Mr. Barzani tells me, that the troubling Clinton desire to "deper-sonalize" the conflict with Saddam means only that any successor regime

will be expected to comply fully with the cease-fire terms; that there is no chance for normalization with Saddam or a similar dictator, and that the United States seeks a democratic alternative to the present regime. (I'd like

to see that in writing, but the "men-con" recording the policy is classified.) Beyond continued U.S. air cover, what do the Kurds need to stay free and develop their nation? No U.S. troops. Only emergency economic aid of \$150 million this year, and what they don't talk about publicly, anti-tank and anti-aircraft weapons in case Saddam attacks and the world is afflicted with Bosnianitis.

And they need a way to get oil out of their ground. Although oil-rich Kir-knik, which will one day be the capital of Kurdistan, is under Saddam's occuof Kurdistan, is under Saddam's occu-pation. Taqtaq and Zakho in Kurdish control cry out for mobile refineries. If the State Department will get the United Nations to permit the needed suspension of the Iraqi sanc-tions, and will prevail on Turkey to allow overland transportation, the Kurds are confident that financing can be found to begin making their region self-sufficient.

pushy; he observes the taboo about talking of independence. But on the urgent need for economic and diplomatic aid, even after all the top-level meetings in Washington, he says, "I have no answers for my people." The Kurds deserve answers. They are no longer ignored: Ray Bonner's

on-the-scene reporting in The New Yorker, and Graham Puller's analy-The soft-spoken Mr. Barzani, 46, son of the legendary Mullah Mus-tafa and father of eight, is not sis in Foreign Affairs, underscore the value of democratic movements in the Middle East. (Only the U.S. Army War College, Major General William Stofft commanding, refuses to correct its infamous monograph that east doubt on reports of the poison-gassing of the Kurds.)

The Kurdish view of Bosnia?

Americans Welcome

"The West should act decisively to stop the war criminals," says Mr. Barzani, whose people were saved by the West from a war criminal. 'And why don't the Arabs help? Not just because the people being killed are Muslims, bot because they are human beings." He shakes his head. "If we had the force, we would use it against the Serbs."

# **Divide Them and Leave Reunion for Calmer Times**

T OKYO—While the tragedy in Bosnia contin-ued, a miracle unfolded recently in Singapore — the first round of formal reconciliation talks

between Taiwan and Beijing.
Taiwan provides a vital lesson to a world racked with civil wars, it is that when people of the same national territory cannot live with each other, keep them apart. Eventually they will find a way to get together peacefully, even if it takes half a century. In 1950 the United States intervened to give the defeated Nationalist forces in the Chinese civil war a safe haven in Taiwan. Today even Beijing must accept the wisdom of that intervention, now that it has come to depend on Taiwan's investment and

entrepreneurship to vitalize its own economy.

True, the United States after 1950 could have done much more to tone down the belligerence of Taiper's claims to be the only legitimate government of China. And it should have accepted Beijing's right to be annoyed by that pretension, instead of indulging in decades of fanciful talk about how Beijing's annoyance proved aggressive intentions against the rest of Asia.

Even so, the world today is clearly a better place now that pro-Communist and anti-Communist Chinese can talk amicably about their differences, thanks to the establishment of that Taiwan haven. The same principle should have been applied to

By Gregory Clark

a range of other post-World War II civil war simations. In Vietnam, for example, instead of attempting the savage destruction of a strong nationalist-based insurgency that Hanoi had every right to support, and then telling a bedraggled Saigon to fight to the bitter end by itself, the West should from the start have said that the ultimate aim of its intervention was to create and protect an anti-Communist enclave if Saigon could not pre-vail in its civil war against Hanoi.

Today that enclave would be negotiating remification with the rest of Vietnam on terms probably even more favorable than Taiwan can hope for. The refugee tragedy would have been averted. Hanoi would be further ahead on its liberalization path.

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The world would have been spared the embarrassment of U.S. arguments about MIAs to justify attempts to punish Hanni for defeating Saigon.

Similarly in Cambodia today, Instead of trying to force through a fairly meaningless election to reunify the nation, why not simply leave Cambodia divided into two zones, one controlled by the Khmer. Rouge, the other by Phnom Penh - with the United Nations supervising the line between them. Reunifi-cation would be postponed to the distant future.

The West needs to get over its fetish for the unitary and inviolable nation-state. Many of the world's states are quite artificial. Even when they do have a rationale, they are often divided by deep ideological and ethnic differences. In that case let them divide, rather than encourage them into winner-take-all elections or civil wars.

This live and let-live approach could have pre-vented the civil war tragedies in any number of African states in the past two decades. In Bosma it would also have made sense. From the start the West should have been working for a Vance-Owentype solution separating the rival ethnic groups.

Instead, and as in Angola, we became slaves to our beliefs that elections solve all. The leaders of a large but defenseless Muslim minority were encouraged to think that they could set up their own nation-state complete with international recognition and United Nations membership just because they had won an artificial election.

Instead of trying to bomb the Bosnian Serbs even deeper into the Stone Age (while ignoring Croatian, atroctites), why not spend more effort on intervention to set up protected enclaves for the Muslims? It is not the best solution, but at this late stage it is, better than no solution —or the possibility of a final solution imposed by Serbs and Croats. International Herald Tribune.

# Reasons Not to Make Too Much of Clinton's Early Poll Results

WASHINGTON — From broken promises to tax giddiness and overemphasis of gay rights, President Bill Clinton's early fumbles have been more than adequately catalogued, So has his ill-advised neglect of the middle-class frustration that helped elect him. Voter disillusionment is clearly wide spread — witness the record 35 to 40 percent disapproval of his first 100 days and ebbing endorsement of his economic program.

Yet politics and parties are mixed up enough today that the Democratic incumbent may well be stronger than expected by 1996. Let me offer 10 reasons why the president may be better off than be appears:

 Consider all those overambitious domestic programs and blneprints that Mr. Clinton now has bumping into each other from health reform and job training to national service and infrastructure repair. Assuming that the Republicans fail to strangle them at birth, yet manage to trim some rough edges, what looks messy and disorganized now could easily be a 1996 vote-getter. If the new domestic agenda forming up is reasonably accepted three years from oow, voters won't want to hand the White House back to the naysaying, old-ideas crowd, just as voters

didn't want to in 1936 or 1984.

Then there is the new evidence that the economy remains much weaker than promised by the Republican Party's trumpeting of the ephemeral fourth-quarter "Bush recovery." When the Democrats want to return to DemoBy Kevin Phillips

cratic economics, the political opportunity is there. The indictments of GOP economics made in the campaign have been revalidated.

• Constitutional mechanics give Mr. Clinton a third break: The U.S. presidential system does not subject a president to a vote-of-confidence test of the sort that scuttles shaky governments in parliamentary systems. If Mr. Clinton had to face the post-100-day chop in a parliament with 330 Democrats, 225 Republicans, 100 Perotists, 20 Jacksonians and eight Libertarians, he could be a former chief executive by Memorial Day. But in the U.S.

system it is irrelevant that the president just sank to another record low — a 46 percent approval rating in the Gallup-Newsweek poll — at the beginning of his second 100 days. For the next three and a half years, while he is healthy, nobody else can get the job.

• Gender is relevant. The obvious take on Mr Clinton's decision to not his wife in charge. Mr. Clinton's decision to put his wife in charge of health reform is that be has doubled his personal volucability. The flip side could be that with Hillary and many other women so prominent in blueprinting a oew health care system, the rest of the female population may see its own pride and empowerment at stake. If what critics like to call "Billary" is reasonably

successful by 1996, Clintonites can expect a November edge among women.

Bosnia could be more pitfall than prop.

must know how previous Democratic presi-dents from Woodrow Wilson to Lyndon Johnson have buried domestic reform along with dead soldiers in the cemeteries of foreign wars, and must recognize that U.S. fighting in the former Yugoslavia would trigger ethnic tensions among Serbs, Croats, Slovenes and others in cities across the United States.

Yet Mr. Clinton must comprehend the Balkans' centuries of bloodstamed fruitlessness,

 The divisions of the opposition provide the rest of Mr. Clinton's plases. The Republi-cans lack a compelling candidate for '96. Sena-tor Bob Dole, their leading national figure, may be too old. Besides, Senate leadership is historically a poor launching pad for the White House. That is a big plus for the president.

 Whether we are talking about ideological cleavages — supply-siders versus deficit hawks, religious rightists versus pro-choice moderates — or mutual disdain among 1996 aspirants, the Republican Party has factionalisms and animosities to match the Balkans. None of the contenders, Phil Gramm or Jack Kemp, Bill Weld or Pat Buchanan, has the stature of a Dole, to say oothing of the nation-

al credibility or nomination claim of an Eisenhower, Nixon or Reagan.

Next, it is reasonable to assume that the Republicans will do well enough in the 1994 elections to wind up with 47 or 48 senators and 190 to 195 House members. That would be the largest ratio of Republicans that a Democratic president has had to face since Harry Truman in 1951-52. Once again, little would get done — but that could give Mr. Clinton a great explanation and scapegoat for 1996: Gridlock, Act 2. Or maybe even Dolelock, because the Republican leader could become a symbol of possition. become a symbol of negativism.

 Favorable circumstance No. 9 for the Democrats is the predictable re-emergence of campaign gurn James Carville, whose shrewdness cannot flourish amid greenwalled federal governance but who can probably blueprint another populist Clinton campaign in 1996.

• Finally, there is the Dallas rooster himself, the real winner of the first 100 days, Ross Perot. In the latest trial heat rematch of the 1992 election reported in Newsweek, Mr. Clin-ton is down to 38 percent, Mr. Bush is down to 31 percent and Mr. Perot is up to 26 percent. If the Texan continues to emerge as the most effective opponent of Mr. Clinton, he will split the Republican Party like a ripe melon. That may be just what Mr. Clinton, stuck in a 40 to 50 percent support range, could need.

Obviously, no one knows what will happen three years from now, but there are -- certainly for now — at least as many things working for Bill Clinton as working against him.

The writer's latest book is "Boiling Point: Democrats, Republicans and the Decline of Mid-dle-Class Prosperity." He is publisher of the American Political Report newsletter. He con-tributed this comment to The Washington Post.

# Oman and Yemen: Good News From the Arabian Peninsula

MUSCAT, Oman —Good news is a rare enough commodity in the geopolitics of the Middle East. So some positive developments around the southern shores of the Arabian Peninsula merit attention and support - both for their own

sake and for their impact on a region obsessed with old rivalries and April 27 saw that rarity in the Arab world — elections. They were the first ever in a united Yemen. Such experiments with democracy are certainly welcome. But more important is the success Yemen has made of reunification in 1990 (when formerly Marxist South Yemen joined the more populous North) and the rap-

prochement between united Yemen and neighboring Oman, where once it fomented revolution and secession. Despite its poverty, Yemen, now with its own oil income, however modest, may be set to play a larger role in regional affairs. Saudi Arabia may be nervous about democratic experiments, not to mention un-

veiled women and a brewery, but Oman is happy enough.
Oman and Yemen now have an agreed border, and they plan a road link and a free trade zone to encourage commerce. Vice President Ali Salim Baid of Yemen has been a welcome visitor to Muscat, and Oman hopes to take part io Yemen's

oil development. There has even been a slight thaw in Yemen's relations with Saudi Arabia, although King Fahd's ex-pulsion of nearly a million Yemenis. in retaliation for their government's verbal support for Iraq, will not soon be forgotten. Yemen and Oman matter. Yemen,

with 14 million people, is almost as

populous as Sandi Arabia. It lacks oil but has a strong sense of historical continuity. Oman, too, has a sense of

By Philip Bowring

identity; it has a large land area and commands one side of the Hormuz Strait, as Yemen commands one side of the gate to the Red Sea. Both are marginal but growing oil exporters. Oman now pumps 750,000 barrels a day, enough to make it comfortable but not arrogant. Yemen is set to double output to 400,000 barrels, enough to rescue it from penury.

For Oman, the rapprochement with Yemen is another link in its chain of commonsensical relations. Oman is a player in oil policy, but has not joined OPEC. Sultan Qaboos ibu Said has gone out of his way to avoid offending Iran, which must still think occasionally of again controlling both sides of the Hormuz Strait. With its own brand of conservative but unfanatical Islam, Ibadhism, Oman has felt less threatened than others by Iran's militant Islam.

Sultan Qaboos helped mediate between Iran and Iraq. His forces par-ticipated in the Gulf War, and allied planes used his airfields to attack Iraq. Yet he has worried that allied overkill might permanently alienate lraq from its Gulf neighbors. He has a close relationship with King Hus-

sein of Jordan.
He has maintained military ties with Oman's old protector, Britain, and since 1980 has given the United States access to military facilities. The West remains the ultimate protector of the established interest of small states in the region, and is likely to remain so for the foreseeable future. Yet there is evidence that Sultan Qaboos is looking to further diversify Oman's relations in order to safeguard it and its access

to the Gulf. After all, the U.S. willingness to launch Operation Desert Shield was a result of a combination of circum-

stances, including the redundancy of U.S. forces in Germany, which are unlikely to be repeated.

Efforts to build a regional self-defense mechanism through the Gulf Cooperation Council — the build Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Catar, Bahusin and

Arab Emirates, Qatar, Bahrain and Oman — have made little progress. The Sandis see Sultan Qaboos's proposal for a 100,000-strong force as a way of Oman expanding its forces already 35,000 strong in a population of under 2 million — at Saudi expense. "I'm not paying to keep young Omanis off the streets," King Fahd has reportedly said. The other GCC members are unlitarily insignificant and prone to petty rivalries.

The new relationships that Sultan

Qaboos is trying to build are primarily commercial but have strategic implications. One is with Yemen. Another is with India, which has long had trading links with Oman and provides the bulk of its foreign labor force of 350,000. Planning has beginn for a gas pipeline to Bombay. This would not only enable Oman to export gas but would give India a direct interest in Oman's security. With its coastline almost entirely on the Aracoastline almost entirely on the Arabian Sea - and not the Gulf -Oman's security is less problematic than that of other Gulf countries.

But there is a wide perception that energy markets for Gulf countries will increasingly be more in the east than in the west. This, together with the collapse of the Soviet Union, implies new security interests in the region. For Oman this also means enhancing economic security — for instance, by participating in refinery projects in countries such as Thailand and

India and, through the government-owned Oman Oil Corporation, in en-

ergy exploration projects in ex-Soviet

mid-19th century, Zanzibar and Moubasa were ruled by Omanis. And at home, Oman is gradually opening up to outsiders, whether tourists or investors.

Together, these moves tell some-

hing of changing relationships in this strategically important area where Arab, Iranian, indian and African meet. They will have a bearing on how Oman, which has gone through an amazing transformation since Sheikh

republics (notably Kazakhstan) with hopes of getting into China.

Oman is trying to revive its links with East Africa at a time when other countries are tending to downgrade links with the continent. Uotil the mid-19th century, Zanzibar and Monthasa were ruled by Omanis. tutional monarchy. But the view, from the old trading forts that dot Oman's long coastline and guard the date gardens of the interior, or from modern Muscat with its university. its stock exchange and its industrial estate, is guardedly optimistic.

With foresight and moderation, drastic change can be managed, even by very small nations.

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### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Unsubdued Siam PARIS - At the Ministerial Council

held yesterday [May 13] at the Flysee Palace the Under-Secretary of State of the colonies said a company of Annamite sharpshooters, which had recently taken up a position at Khong Island without meeting with resis-tance, was now shot in by the Siamese troops and that a convoy of provisions had been cut off and the captain in command of the convoy h been taken prisoner. A battalion had been at once despatched from Cochin-China to the assistance of the Franco-Annamite sharpshooters.

1918: Emperors Meet

VIENNA - The following note is issued on the visit of the Emperor of Austria-Hungary to the Emperor of Germany: "Complete agreement was arrived at on all questions, and it was decided to enlarge and deepen the present alliance. The guiding lines of the agreements in view were estab-

lished. These exchanges of views have shown the full value which is attached on both sides to a close alliance between Austria-Hungary and the German Empire, an alliance which already has existed for many years and which has now been proved in the victorious war of defence."

1943: Riots in Germany LONDON - From our New York

edition:] A dispatch from Stockholm tonight [May 13] said a not broke ont yesterday in Berlin in front of the German Army's information office when thousands of women and elderly men gathered to obtain information about their relatives in the Afrika Korps. People were brusquely dismissed when they made their inquires at the information office and were told they would receive the necessary information at a more opportune moment. Thereupon the crowd began rioting and S.S. troops were called to break up the crowd. Similar riots were reported from other parts of Germany.



# Steady, Humane and Lucid: An Exemplary Intellectual

By E. J. Dionne Jr.

dangerous than the run-of-the mill "spe-cial interest group" seeking some subsidy or tax break, Everybody understands nar-

row self-interest and can deal with it.

True, intellectuals can also behave like any interest group in making special claims for government help to the arts or universities. But intellectuals looking for money pose no particular difficults as the special interest group in making special interest group in the properties of Solidarity in Poland gave Mr. Howe, a friend of trade unions, special joy. "Here was evidence that men and women would not simply money pose no particular difficulty to the crumble into passivity under the weight republic. The danger to and from intellectuals arises when they act from higher "Here was reason to call into question motives, when they try to transform the

world to make it accord with their ideas. Three traps await intellectuals in the political arena. The most common translorms intellectuals into apologists for
any regime that makes a show of taking
their ideas seriously. In this case, intellectuals give up their independence.

The second trap is more insidious:

Intellectuals can become so convinced of the rightness of their prescriptions that they come to justify almost anything to achieve their ends. "You have to break eggs to make an omelet" is the classic rationalization used to justify killing, imprisonment and torture.

The third trap is the opposite of the second, but its mares are woven from the same arrogance: Intellectuals can become so disdainful of the messiness of any human society that they withdraw from politics entirely. Beneath the surface here is the anti-democratic notion that average people are incapable even of understanding the "higher things" to which intellectuals aspire.

Intellectuals who avoid all these traps are usually model democrats and exem-plary human beings worthy of celebra-tion. One of them, Irving Howe, died last week at the age of 72.

Mr. Howe spent his life as a dissenter, and gave that word an extra meaning The magazine he started in 1954, Dissent, became a rallying point for a democratic left whose hallmark was the imperative that democracy—the faith in the capacity of ordinary citizens to run things must never take a back seat to somebody else's glorious ideal or brilliant idea.

Mr. Howe began his political life as a follower of Leon Trotsky. Trotsky was hardly a saint of democracy, and his followers were capable of extraordinary feats of sectarian narrowness. But their ence for Trotsky over Stalin immu-

nized them against apologetics for out-rages committed in communism's name. Hatred of Stalinism led many Trotskyists to conservatism, but Mr. Howe moved to a socialism that was less a fixed system than an ideal embodying equality and democracy. For Mr. Howe, "the working class" was not an abstraction. It consisted of real human beings whose aspirations mattered more than the comforts of apparatchiks or the wealthy.

This apparent idealism proved to be a

ASHINGTON — Few relation-ships are more perilous or compli-cated than the one between intellectuals and politics. Intellectuals can be far more ships could maintain power indefinitely by force, and he said so in the early 1950s, as the Soviets were tightening their hold on Eastern Europe.

> theories that hold totalitarianism invincible, at least short of nuclear war. And here was the exhilarating speciacle of a young and mexperienced working class asserting itself with strength and spirit."
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> It is no accident, as the Marxists say,

> that Mr. Howe is best known to the wider public not as a socialist but as the author of "World of Our Fathers," his bestselling history of the East European Jewnigration to the United States. For Mr. Howe, politics could never be the most important thing. One struggled for justice in order to allow culture to

> flower freely, independent of the pressures of the state or the imperatives of the market. His love for Judaism's treasures was rooted in the view that both high art and genuine popular culture create a margin of freedom even under the most oppressive conditions.
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> By trade, Mr. Howe was a literary critic, not a pamphleteer, and he shared

George Orwell's view that a writer's obligations were paradoxical: To be en-gaged in politics and to remain free of its chains. "A writer who devotes himself exclusively to politics courts the dangers of dryness, the mental undernourish-ment of journalism," Mr. Howe wrote, "Isn't there always a shrinkage of imaginative power when an 'engaged' writer submits to the political moment?" Those who paid attention to Mr. Howe

and to such comrades as the late Michael Harrington never fell for the intellectual fashions that so consumed others. Mr. Howe rejected the New Left cults of youth and expressive violence in the '60s, the cults of Castro and Ho Chi Minh and Mao, the cult of self-centered self-improvement in the '70s, the cult of capitalist utopianism in the '80s. One of his books was entitled "Steady Work." Mor-

al steadiness was his virtue. He knew at the end of his life that socialism was in crisis. His attitude was: When wasn't it? The point was to maintain critical hope, to test other systems according to the standards of "the utopia of community and egalitarianism."
"Whatever the fate of socialism," he

wrote in 1985, "the yearning for a better mode of life, which found expression in its thought and its struggle, will reappear. Of that I am certain." Nonsocialists, too. should hope that he was right. The Washington Post,







### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### UN Failure in Cambodia

Regarding "Empower the UN to Block Klumer Rouge Anarchy" (Opinion, April 17) by Clare Hollingworth:

The United Nations has done little to improve the situation in Cambodia. In fact, it is now paying for its own mistakes. For a decade the United Nations provided the Khmer Rouge much needed legiti-macy after the Vietnamese chased them out of Cambodia. Now the world body has provided them the fig leaf for com-plete legitimacy as a part of the Supreme National Council, a body recognized by the international commi

Even as the Khmer Rouge refuse to bide by the terms of the Paris accords, the United Nations has yet to take any steps other than toothiess sanctions that cannot be enforced. UN peacekeepers have been unable to stop open violations by the Khmer Rouge and the regular massacres of the ethnic Vietnamese.

Clare Hollingworth wants the United Nations to be given more powers to block the Khmer Rouge. But what would be the purpose of empowering combat-shy UN troops when force will have to be used? The number of casual-ties in the sused of a military shownlown. ties in the event of a military showdown with the Khmer Rouge could run into hundreds. Is any country providing peacekeepers ready to take that risk? M. ELAHI.

# Bosnia and the Precedent

The more I read about the Bosnia conflict and the feeble efforts and verbal threats by the West to halt the carnage, the more I am reminded of the Hitler

days before Winston Churchill took days before Winston Churchill took charge. If the Serbs should one day sign the agreement, I can just see Lord Owen holding the signed paper high above his head and declaring it proof of world peace, just as Neville Chamberiain did in London on his return from his voyage to Monich where Hitler part his signeto Munich where Hitler put his signa-ture to a worthless piece of paper. All it did was to allow Hitler more time.

PETER MANASSE

Regarding "Realities Dictate a Limited Approach in Bosnia" (April 27) by Sena-tor Nancy Landon Kassebaum of Kansas: How can anyone believe that "an international force focused on the delivery of humanitarian relief in safe zones" would really change the situation in Bosmia? Communed humanitarian aid delivcily massacred is like delivering food to Jews starving in Nazi death camps. At least they will die with full stomachs. DOUGLAS TURNER.

## The Chinese Commitment

Regarding "The More, the Wealthier" (Opinion, May 7):

Hard though it may be for the editorial writer of the Far Eastern Economic Review to imagine life outside economics, he or she might consider the impact of uncontrolled population growth on future supplies of food, clean air and fresh water. He will have noticed that the Chinese are determined people and should ask himself why such formidable pragmatists practice stringent popula-tion control. He might find their methods a touch old-fashioned, but he can be certain that they are committed. SIT NICHOLAS NUTTALL. Gstaad, Switzerland.

### Keep a Light on East Timor

I commend Philip Shenon's excellent portrayal of the situation in East Timor, "Repression as Legacy of Timor Kill-ings" (April 22). Although Indonesia in-vaded and annexed East Timor in 1975, the United Nations has not recognized its claims to sovereignty over the territory. Hence, the dateline of the article should have been "Dili, East Timor" — and definitely not "Dili, Indonesia."

Under international law, East Timor is an occupied territory, just like the West Bank and Gaza. Mr. Shenon also refers to the independence fighters of East Timor as "separatists." The East Timorese seeking independence are not "separatists" because East Timor was never a part of Indonesia.

MARGHERITA TRACANELLI, Media and Communications Director.
National Council of Manbere Resistance, Sydney.

### A Welcome Byline

I am always pleased to see Michiko Kakutani's byline, because I know that what follows will be informative and very well written. "Down With History, Down With Truth" (Meanwhile, May 4) is another example of the writer's huck, elegant prose. This is journalism of a high caliber, more important today than ever.

SUSAN C. SZCZARBA.

# So Biodiversity Is Doomed? Let's Take a Cool Recount

By Julian Simon and Aaron Wildavsky

ing a shot, we may kill one-lifth of all species of life on this planet in the next 10

### MEANWHILE

years." This assertion is utterly without scientific underpinning and runs counter to all the existing evidence. Such apoca-lyptic claims are used to bludgeon goverrorents for money and action.

A long-running fund-raising pitch from World Wildlife Fund's president, Russell E. Train, describes how the organization rallied support for reauthorization of the Endangered Species Act by telling the U.S. Congress that "some scientists believe that up to one million tracies of life will become arrived by the species of life will become extinct by the ad of this century" unless governments

"do something."

Mr. Train added: "When we talk about the loss of one milition species, we are taking about a global loss with consequences that science can scarcely begin to predict. The future of the world could be attered drastically if we allow a million

species to disappear by the year 2000."

The warning is amplified by the media. The Washington Post quoted the claim of a top Smithsonian conservation biologist, Thomas Lovejoy, that "a po-tential biological transformation of the planet unequaled perhaps since the dis-appearance of the dinosaur" is about to occur. The Post also cited Harvard University's Edward O. Wilson, a biologist, on "the folly our descendants are least

hikely to forgive us."

The emotions behind such sweeping statements cause partisans to believe that the matter is too important to be subjected to the standards of normal science. Recommendations that leading biologists and ecologists base on nonfacts are staggering. Mr. Wilson and Stanford University's Paul Ehrlich, a biologist, actually ask that governments "reduce the scale of human activities."

They want us "to cease developing any more relatively undisturbed land" because every new shopping center built in the California chaparral ... every swamp converted into a rice paddy or

shrimp farm means less biodiversity. The standard source of all the apocahyptic forecasts is a 1979 book, Sinking Ark," by a conservation biologist, Nonnan Myers. The work rests on two statistics; the estimated extinction rate of known species of animals between the years 1600 and 1900 (about one every four years), and the estimated rate from

OAKLAND, California — A fair reading of the available data suggests a rate of species extinction not even one-thousandth as great as doomsayers claim. If the rate were any lower, evolution itself would need to be questioned.

The World Wildlife Fund, the main recompleting about the present (about one a year).

Mr. Myers abruptly departs from those modest estimates and goes on to say that some scientists have "hazarded a guess" that the extinction rate "could now have reached" 100 species a year. This pure conjecture about an upper limit of measure estimation of species is promulgator of alarm about biodiversity and the extinction of species, frames the increased and used by Mr. Myers issue in the starkest terms: "Without firms and Mr. Lovejoy as the basis for the limit of present extinction of species is projections quoted everywhere.

In fact, Mr. Lovejoy — after convert-ing an estimated upper limit into a sim-ple estimate — says that government inaction is "likely to lead" to the extino-tion of 14 to 20 percent of all species before the year 2000.

Mr. Lovejoy's extinction rate, which is a thousand times greater than the observed rate, is pure guesswork. Yet it is widely published and erroneously

viewed as scientific fact. In articles in the mid-1990s in New Scientist magazine, in newspapers, in books and at conferences, both of us have documented the complete absence of evidence for the claim that the extinc-

tion of species is going up rapidly — or even going up at all.

No one has disputed our documentation. Nor has anyone cited new evidence that would demonstrate rapid extino-

that would demonstrate rapid extinc-tion. Instead, until recently, the biolo-gists sounding the alarm simply ignored the data that challenged their claims. But recently the World Conservation Union published an inquiry into the extent of extinctions, "Tropical Defor-estation and Species Extinction." Every author included agreed that the rate of known extinctions has been and confi-ues to be very loss has been and confiues to be very low. One wrote: "Forests of the eastern United States were reduced over two centuries to fragments

totaling 0.5 percent of their original ex-tent ... During this destruction, only three forest birds went extinct."

We are delighted that this species of truth, which we thought was dead, is stirring into life. Governments should head this extensibile coefficients. heed this astonishing scientific assessment. We are not suggesting that they ignore the possible dangers to species. But everyone should start from an unbiased view of the gains and losses in order to help judge how much time and money to spend guarding our biological assets.

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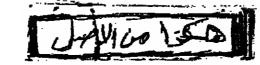
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By Conrad de Aenlle International Herald Tribune

OME Anglophones living abroad will never get used to Elizabeth Taylor's Cleopatra crying out for "Antoine!" Fortunately for these purists, many large cities are well fixed with video shops that offer films in English. Unfortunately, the price probably will seem high to Americans and Britons and the selection may be limited to the fare that sells well

locally, usually megahits and classics.

The choice in a given country depends roughly on the cinematic attitude displayed at local theaters. Foreign films in Germany are usually dubbed for theatrical release, and the dubbed versions are usually what is on offer at video shops. As for films in English, "you can get them," said one Berliner, "but it's not easy and not always the ones you

In smaller countries, where the people are more likely to learn foreign languages and films are seldom dubbed, there usually is more available. The Videoland chain in the Netherlands, which has about 140 stores, offers more than a thousand foreign titles, in several languages, with Dutch subtitles. New films are usually available three or four months after their theatrical release.

American films are especially popular at Japanese video stores, where foreign films are offered in their original language with either subtitles or dubbing on a dual sound-track. There is no trouble finding classics and new American films, which are in the shops three to six months after their U.S.

One puzzling locale for video fans is France, where the selection is somewhat narrow, despite the reverence accorded cinematic auteurs. Canal 7 Video Club, for instance, has a handful of new releases in English, with French subtitles, plus the usual classics: Bogart, Brando, the Marx Brothers, Hitch-cock, Woody Allen.

Most video shops serve the local market, An exception in Paris is Reels on Wheels, which offers 5,000 English-language films without subtitles. The shop caters chiefly to British and American expatriates. In addition to the standard rental service, Reels on Wheels picks up and delivers films to their customers, along with any desired accountre-

"We can basically do anything you want," boasts Ian Wilson, the Reels on Wheels' manager. "We can pick up a pack of ciga-rettes or buy some hamburgers on the way

All for a price. The movies themselves rent for 23 francs to 35 francs for members, who must pay 500 francs a year, or nearly \$100, to join. Nonmembers pay 70 francs a film. The pickup and delivery services are on top of those charges.

■ This just in from Arlington, Virginia: The American Chiropractic Association, which has to spend its promotion budget somehow, has announced the results of a poll rating various famous people. This could be funny, of course, if you think about it, but it's not. The poll, which surveyed the readers of the Journal of Chiropractic, found Cindy Crawford most statuesque and Stormin' Norman most commanding. The somewhat perplexing reason for all this, the press release tells us, is to remind people that looking

problems. May is Correct Posture Month.

You can pay less at other Parisian shops, but they're not cheap. Canal 7 has a 300iranc-per-year membership charge. Then it's 25 francs per film. Nonmembers pay 35 francs per day. There are slight reductions for longer rentals. But given that it only costs 150 to 200 francs to buy a film, renting one for more than a couple of days makes little economic sense

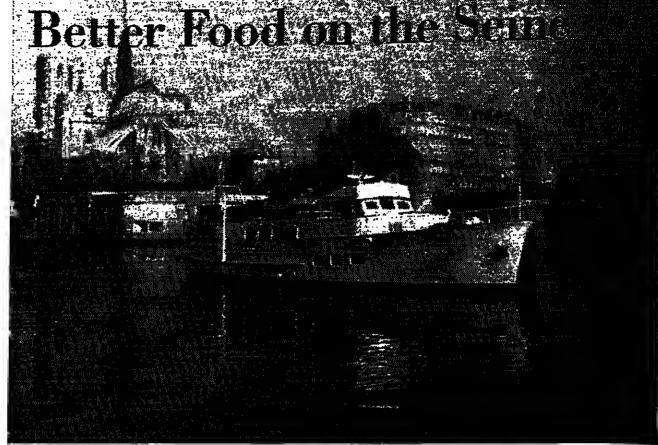
British and American expatriates likely will find the costs of video rental high no matter where they are. While rentals are cheapest in Germany, running the equiva-lent of \$2 to \$2.50 a day in many cases, the price rises to \$3 to \$4 in Japan, with better deals on occasion for renters who take home two or more tapes. The American chain Blockbuster offers two-night rentals in Japan for just over \$3.

Costs elsewhere in Europe typically are near the \$6 or \$7 demanded in France, although Videoland says the fees at its Dutch shops decline to about \$3 after the films have been on the shelf for a few months.

Membership fees are the rule in France. They are also sometimes asked in Switzerland, but they seem to be less common in other countries

The best way to rent a video may be to avoid shops altogether and try cultural insti-tutions aimed at Anglophone expatriates, such as the British Council, which has video libraries in France, Belgium, Germany, Italy, Spain and the Netherlands.

The libraries offer new releases, classics and British television series, all without subtitles, a librarian in the Paris center said. There is an annual membership charge that runs about \$100 and includes access to books, magazines, compact discs and audio cassettes. Four videos can be checked out each week, the librarian said, each for a nominal handling fee that runs two francs in



By Jean Rafferty

ARIS — It's a balmy summer's evening and what could be more seductive than a dinner cruise on the Seine? Dining on undistinguished fare en masse on a bateau mouche, however, leaves something to be desired in the seduction stakes, as would-be Romeos have found to their cost, a not inconsiderable 500 francs.

Now, there is an elegant, and not much more costly, alternative: a gonzmet cruise in the more intimate surroundings of the private motor yacht Doo Juan, where only 50 guests dine in a mahogany-paneled state-room with marble fireplace. Under the aegis of Yachts de Paris, the recently renovated 1930s yacht was opened Wednesday and is oow moored at the Port de Javel-Haut between the Ponts de Grenelle and Mirabeau on the Left Bank.

It is the latest enterprise of Gilles Delooette and Marc Bungener, former owners of the River Cafe. Their aim, they say, is "to put romance back into dining on the river."

They have started by concentrating on food - by asking Gerard Besson, a Michelin twostar chef, to design three dinner menus. The Grenelle at 490 francs (about \$90) and the Mirabeau et 630 francs (neither includes

wine) feature virtuoso variations of Besson's classical cuisine based on foie gras and lob-ster, teamed with inviting main dishes, such as salmon trout soufflé, quenelles de broches en sauce Nantua, coquilles Saint-Jacques or noi-settes d'agneau. The Alexandre III menu (820 francs plus wine) is for caviar lovers: 50 grams of caviar and blinis with sance of pressed caviar. The wine list runs from the reasonably priced produce of small southern French vinevards to a selection of grands crus.

In between courses, diners can go on deck for a close-up of illuminated Parisian monu-

ROM May to Sept. 30, there are two-hour cruises at 7 P. M. and at 9:30 P. M. (The rest of the year, only one evening cruise at 8:15). The Don Juan is also open for lunch but remains anchored at the quai. The owners hope to tap a clientele from nearby television stations and ad agencies with a 230-franc hincheon menu.

At a pre-opening lunch, the terrine de fote gras and salad was tasty, the panaché de poissons (a mix of different fish in a light sauce) just right, and the dessert, fresh pin ple with passion fruit sauce and sorbet of milk

It is possible to reserve the officers' star room for private parties of from eight to 16 (cocktails, 4,200 francs, dinner cruise, 9,600 francs) or the entire boat (up to 56 guests) for cocktails (30,000 francs), or dinner cruise (minimum 40,000 francs).

Delouette and Bungener are hoping the Don Juan will be the first of several vintage yachts plying the Seine. Meanwhile, they have imported 40 palm trees that will surround a solarium furnished with deck chairs at La Plage, a club-like cafe to open next month on the quai near the yacht. There are also plans for yacht clubs on the river in the suburbs of Levallois-Perret and Boulogne.

"The Seine has been neglected," says Delouette. "It is the grandest avenue in Paris,"
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Jean Rafferty is a Paris-based journalist who specializes in design and lifestyle.

# The Comeback of the Sandwich

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By Molly O'Neill New York Times Service

EW YORK - In the course of human events, sandwiches have been maligned and exalted, have been delicate contrivances and overstuffed plebian affairs, alternately objects of desire and objects of scorn.

Either way, summer is high sandwich sea-

son. It is the season of hot dogs at the ball park, hamburgers by the backyard grill and French bread, pate and cheese at picnics - and now, of leaner, postmodern constructions that rely more on roasted or marinated vegetables than meat and that stylishly recycle leftovers like grilled vegetables, lamb, chicken or fish. In fact, the United States is in the midst of a sandwich renaissance. There is a new public

appetite for restrained rather than over-

rather than a fear of splatters and crumbs. Herb pestos, low-fat ricotta spreads and savory marmalades replace mayonnaise, dressings and butter; vegetables and grains sup-plant lunch meat, and artful salads take the place of the mandatory leaf of iceberg lettuce.

As recently as 12 years ago, James Beard, in describing his favorite bread construction — round slices of brioche layered with parsley, onions and mayonnaise - bridled at the term sandwich. "Sandwiches are so ordinary," he said; he called his invention "onion rounds."

The fast-food industry was probably e handmaiden to the sandwich's slip in status, and so, of course, was soft white bread, which until recent years reigned supreme in the American home and ensured that every sandwich was a soggy sandwich.
But sandwiches heve been creeping back

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up the social ladder. When Anne Rosenzweig reinvented the hamburger at the "21" Club five years ago, forming a patty around a pat of herb butter that added moisture and ilavor, it shattered the proletarian image of the sandwich and paved the way for more imagination and whimsy.

As sandwiches were getting better, a growing ettitude of reverse snobbism - the public doting on low-down chic - improved the social image of sandwiches. After all, in eras of genteel pretense, the fact that e sandwich must be eaten by hand made it suspect, and gave rise to foppery like the Victorian cra's crustless tea sandwiches, small enough to be consumed in one tidy nibble.

When politesse is eclipsed by romantic and carthy yearnings, people revel in the primitive satisfaction of hand-held meals, unpredict-able crumbs, unruly tomatoes and dressings.



Jason Lee Scott (Bruce Lee) and Lauren Holly (Linda) in "Dragon," an enjoyably hokey big budget film.

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Yume no Onna Directed by Tamasaburo Bando. Japan. As his second feature picture,

Kebuki actor Tamaseburo films a play in which he has himself many times acted. This is the Shimpa version of a story by Kafu Nagai, the title of which could be translated as "Woman of the Dreams" (though the English title for this film is "Yearning"). Io it the beautiful Kaede, an impecu-nious courtesan, relinquishes her own dreams and turns down an opportunity for true love in order to raise money to redeem her child. Though both stage and film versions lack the bite of the original Kafu story, Te-masaburo noderstands this genre of drama as do few others and directs older screen-star

By Alan Truscott

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Sayuri Yoshinaga in a perfect performance, one which in many ways mirrors his own. He has in addition availed himself of splendid sets, brilliant black-and-white photography, and a controlled and deliberate film style which approaches that of his favorite film director: Kenji

(Donald Richie, IHT)

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Championship. The most remark-

able hand on that occasion is

shown in the diagram.

At one table an English expert was astonished to find himself de-

fending six hearts doubled. The

opening spade lead was ruffed in

the dummy, and the club king was led. South ruffed the ace, cashed

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South, alas, ruffed a spade at this

point and had to fail by a trick. He

would have made his doubled slam,

and carned a niche in the history of

the game, if he had ruffed a dia-mond, led a club, and discarded a

Directed by Ivan Reitman.

U. S. When Dave Kovic (Kevin Kline) finds Secret Service agents in his living room, he thinks their presence must have something to do with his tax returns. He is much too naive to realize that because he looks exactly like Bill Mitchell, the president of the United States (also Kline), he can be

used to impersonate the president greeting foreign dignitaries, throwing out ceremonial baseballs, reading from a hidden TelePrompTer as he talks to the press, and of course kissing ba-bies. Dave is also too innocent to think that duties like these constitute the most influential part of the president's job. But audiences may feel otherwise, which is the joke at the heart of "Dave," Ivan Reitman's glossy, energetic new Washington comedy. "Dave" presents President Mitchell as a slick, aloof politi-cian who is hated by the first lady (Sigourney Weaver) but very popular with at least one woman on his staff. Kline is equally comfortable in each of hese roles, but it is as Dave that he shows off the dashing, physi-cally confident manner that is one of the film's great comic

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(Janet Maslin, NYT) ME METOETT.

Dragon: The Bruce Lee

Directed by Rob Cohen, U. S.

offend (or surprise) anyone, ex-cept those fans who would rath-er see a real Bruce Lee film. At the time of his death of cerebral edema in 1973, the actor, 33, was on the verge of cashing in on his cult fame in the United States and Europe. The movie was directed by Rob Cohen and adapted from the book, "Bruce Lee: The Man Only I Knew," by Loc's widow, Linda Lee Cadwell. "Dragon" is studded with spectacularly staged, Bruce Leetype kung fu confrontations, which either re-create sequences which either re-create sequences from his films or are variations on what he did with such odd-ball grace, skill, speed and humor. Yet the movie is less about daring deeds than about Lee's triumph over adversity. (He was once paralyzed.) Jason Scott Lee (no relation to Bruce) plays Lee (no relation to Bruce) plays the title role and Lauren Holly the young woman he marries. The script is efficiently written

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Sec. 1347 "Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story" Dragon: The Bruce Lee Stury is an enjoyably hokey, big-budget theatrical film with a lot of kicks and the soul of a television movie. It's exactly what it announces itself to be and won't offend (or surprise) anyone, ex-William House

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Europe Graz '93 (tel: 812.9410). To June 8: As one of the first cultural manifestations of the Meastricht Treaty, the city of Graz is hosting a European cultural testival featuring denote, music, film, theater and ert.

Mondo Royale des Beaux-Arts (tel: SSR 3-71). To June 27: "Jacob Jor-des". A retrospective featuring 18th paintings, drawings and engrav-ture by the Baroque artist.

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of importing decorative hangings of China, and South and English National Opera (tel: 834.3161). May 15, 18, 21; 28; "Adodante." A new production of the opera by Handel staged by David Alden. The cast is led by Arm Murray and Amenda Roocroft.

CANADA

Ontario Art Gallery of Ontario (Tel: 977.0414), To Aug. 1: "Master Prints from the Museum's Private Collection." Featuring more then 100 prints realized between the 15th and 20th century, included are works by Dorer, Rembrandt, Gauguin and Picaseo.

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Prague Kineky Palace (tel: 231.5135). To June 20: "Contemporary Slovak Drawing." Slovak works since 1975 by artists such as Baron, Gazovic, Fila and Urbanek.

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Musée du Louvre (tel: 40.20.50.50). May 14 to Aug. 9: "Le Christ à la Colonne d'Amonatio de l'acceptant de l'Estat de Colonne d'Amonatio de l'Estat de Colonne d'Amonatio de l'Estat de Colonne d'Amonation de l'Estat de Colonne d'Amonation de l'Estat de Colonne d'Amonation de l'Estat de Colonne de Colonne de l'Estat de Colonne de 15th-osnery Plentein and pater and state of delay of delay and delay state whose work were because of the pater of delay on the pater of t Colorinal by Antonio us.

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Armor from "Imperial Austria" show, Houston.

The Israel Museum (tel: 708.811). To June 6: "Femilier Faces," Drawings, prints, photographs, paintings and sculptures explore approaches to portraiture.

ITALY

Galleria Comunale d'Arte Moderna (tel: 502.859), To June 90; An overview of Italian colonial architecture between 1870 and 1940, included reliance their 700 city planning pro-jects and public works.

Soottish National Portrait Gallery (1et:56:8921). To May 23: "Eugene Impay: A Passage Treough India." Photographs of Indian landscapes, recommends and potentiate taken cur-ing impay's travels as a diplomat.

24.86.26.12). To May 25: "Max anakans, the Chinese who settled in Beckmann." An exhibition of 700 Malacca several hundred years ago. SWIDIN

> Moderna Museet (tel; 666,4250). To June 13: "Eva Aeppil." A retrospective of the artist's sculptures and life-sized puppers.

SWITZERLAND

Musée Barbier Mueller (tel: 312.0270), To Sept. 30: "Arts de la Cota d'Ivoire." This exhibit includes more than 100 works of art from ethnic groups throughout the Ivory

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22.39.78), To June 10: "Retrospec-tive Jean Dubutiet: 1901-1985."
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713.526.1361). To June 27: "Imperi-

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when I flew Concorde from London to New York for a job interview. I compromised with a glass or that if you are not staying longer than 48 hours and have to work three of Moet et Chandon and a cup of coffee. I finally hunched with my inquisitors at around 5:30 P. M.

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my time and flew back econon (this was before business class) at 7 P.M., which was midnight for me. I landed in London at 8 A.M. (3 A. M. in New York) in quite good shape. I unwittingly beat jet lag by staying on my home time. (I got the job by the way.) Jet lag, of course, is what happens

By Roger Collis
International Herald Tribune

when the biological clock gets out of step with the chronological clock of a new time zone. Your body is geared for sleep at a time you are expected to be awake, and vice versa. Most people say they get more jet lag flying east than west. They find it easier to cope with a longer day than a shorter night. The reason is that the circadian rhythm has a natural tendency to run at a sleep-wake cycle of 25.2 hours. So if you fly west you're gaining on your-self all the time and the clock has to run a bit faster whereas coming the other way it has to run slower, which it seems is hard for it to do. Westward flights produce premature awakenings plus sleepiness in the evening. Eastward flights result in difficulties staying asleep and morn-

ing sleepiness.
Light is the main trigger, or synchronizer, of the clock, although social cues, like mealtimes also affect circadian rhythm. Most people adjust at the rate of one time zone per day. This means you would need a week to properly adjust to a flight from, say, Europe to the Far East. Ask a dozen frequent travelers how to cope with jet lag and you're likely to get a dozen different answers - from elaborate diets, inflight aerobics, and aromatherapy

to seeking nirvana through meditation (or medication). Conventional wisdom says you should adjust as fast as you can to local time by resetting your watch and thinking in the destination time the moment you get on the plane. Expose yourself to bright light — especially similight — de-pending which direction you are traveling. From London, for example, traveling to Tokyo, try to get out in the simlight later in the day when you arrive. Going west to Los Angeles try to get a good dose of sunlight as soon as you arrive. The idea is that light suppresses melato-nin — a sleep inducing hormone,

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ping can help.

"But you have to compromise

However, a recent study by SAS hours. If you're going for longer in the morning, when you've been change, but how much sleep can of jet lag among air crew members than 48 hours, adjust as soon as up all night and you're confronted you really get on that long, 12-to-suggests that the best strategy for possible to local time. It's definitely with a full day ahead of you. You 14-hour eastward flight. Beyond trips of up to 48 hours is not to a strategic decision that you have to Dr. Jim Dunlop at British Air-

The Pressent Traveler

when you come back, it is important to stay with your home rhythm and try to eat in the right way with light meals, says Dr. Christer von He-denberg, medical director of SAS in Stockholm. He tells crew members to wear supplasses at times when it's dark at home, get artifical light to simulate sunlight when it's supposed to be daytime there and not to sleep when they shouldn't. "Going west, i.e. from Stockholm to Los Angeles, we feel people should go to bed as soon as possible and get what we call anchor sleep for, say, five hours. You can still go out for late dinner. It's important to get plenty of sleep before you leave home. And nap-

between what is going on where you're going and at home: you'll find there's an overlap of some four

ways in London says: "I don't think it's quite as dramatic. It just seems easier in a 48-hour trip to attempt to stay on your home time, but in 72 hours probably you wouldn't man-age it. The thoughts we had with the 48-hour touch were that if you can somehow keep more or less to your own sleep pattern, even if you're going to bed very late — like 1

o'clock in the morning — or waking up very early — like 6 in the morn-ing — depending which direction you've traveled, you'll probably get away with it for 48 hours. You wouldn't need to try to shift your circadian rhythm — and if you did you'd get totally confused because you'd just have started to move it. and then you'd come back home and have to move it back again."

The real problem comes traveling to the Far East with a 7- to 9-

Says one old Asian hand (I'll call him Gerald): "Tve tried leaving Europe in the morning and getting to Hong Kong first thing in their morning; and I've tried leaving Europe in the evening and arriving Hong Kong at 3 or 4 the next afternoon - by far the best. There is nothing worse than arriving at 7 early morning through early

can't even check into your hotel for another five or six hours. Whereas if you arrive at about 3 in the afternoon local time, then you can ci-

then go to bed." Gerald subscribes to trying to stay on your home schedule. "Your day starts later and finishes later so plan your business meetings for the afternoon and evening. The worst part is not so much the time get a proper day's sleep.

that, even if you try to adjust immediately to the local time it catches up with you about the third day. "Therefore, in a perfect world, if

ther have a quick nap or even better 1 am flying out east for more than hold off until 9 P. M. local time and 48 hours, 1 would fly on Wednesday so that on the third day when this loss of sleep hits you, you are on a weekend to recover without losing any business.

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East vs. West

Do try when traveling east to schedule your arrival for late afternoon. Have a meeting, go to bed late, and start late local time next morning. Traveling west, try to have meetings from

and nearby beaches.

afternoon. Then sleep on your

The Sunlight Factor Don't expose yourself to sunlight when it is supposed to be your normal night.

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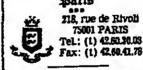
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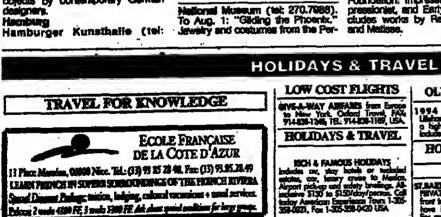
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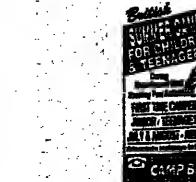
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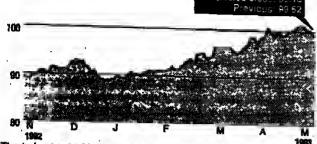
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By Allin R. Myerson See Fait Book Street

EW YORK .- A new roomit at Dillon, Read & Co. is the latest ovidence that Wall Street is trying to cash in on the corporate relicevals infiliated by major investors. The investment bank has hired Lilli A. Gordon, a leading provider of intellectual amagination to rebellious shareholders, to put her ideas into practice by working on makeovers and takeovers.

Mr. Gordon where Restorances consulting from bears her name. Ms. Gordon, whose Boston-area consulting firm bears her name, has provided research and advice for pension funds that have sought to shake up boards, over-throw chief excoutives and redi-rect wayward companies includ-ing Westinghouse Electric, Eastman Kodak and IEM.

According to her findings, raiders of the 80s. sponsibility for improving corporate performance can reap superior long-term results. Such activists at Ms. Gordon are the milder-mannered successors to the

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The fund has as general partners five current or former chief executives who will serve as board members at most of the companice in which the fund invests. In addition to John P. Birkelund, Dillon Read's chairman and chief

executive, they are Stanley C. Gault of Goodyear Tire & Rubber, H. Brewster Atwater Ir. of General Mills, Richard M. Bressler, formerly of Burlington Northern, and Robert Cizik of Cooper Industries. Some other funds have already pursued what has come to be known as relationship investing, the long-term purchase of major stakes by active investors, including the \$1.65 billion Corporate

Partners Fund at Lazard Freres. At Dillon Read, Ms. Gordon will also raise money for the firm's third Saratoga buyont fund, which seeks to gather at least \$300 million for friendly acquisitions.

# Inflation **Glimpsed** In April U.S. Data

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON - Consumer prices in the United States rose 0.4 percent in April, the biggest increase since January, while retail sales re-bounded from depressed levels caused by bad weather in March.

Some economists said the Labor Department's report on prices was an indication that inflation may be heating up, at least slightly. But others said there was too much slack in the job market to sustain significant price increases.

"The inflationary facts of life are coming back to haunt us," said David Jones, an economist at Aubrey G. Lanston & Co. in New York. "But it's not like past recovcries, when we saw a huge boost in prices. It will be a gradual but inevitable increase."

President Bill Clinton said he did not see any evidence of undue, longterm inflationary pressures. "Unless there's some underlying change in the economy, it's difficult to imagine how we could have a significant upsurge in inflation," he said.

The retail-sales increase, to a sea-sonally adjusted \$169.7 billion, was the best in six months, the Commerce Department said. It followed back-to-back drops of 0.8 percent in March and 0.1 percent in February. Economists had attributed much

of the March decrease to a blizzard on the East Coast in midmonth and had been expecting the April rise. However, they said the rebound merely made up for earlier declines and did not accelerate the longterm pace of sales.

"We're back to the same kind of slow, halting recovery everyone agreed we were in before the fourth uarter raised expectations," said Sandra Shaber of the WEFA Group, a forecasting concern in Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania.

In separate reports, the Labor Department said the number of Americans filing first-time claims for unemployment benefits had fallen slightly during the week ended May I and that the inflationadjusted earnings of Americans in April had declined by 0.1 percent, the fourth drop in five months.

claims, to 339,000 from 342,000 the week before, was the third in a row, but economists said labor markets were improving too slowly to give Americans much of a boost in purchasing power.

In advance of the consumerprice report, many analysts had ex-pected an increase of just 0.2 percent. The 0.4 percent jump came just a day after the department said prices paid by wholesalers had risen 0.6 percent in April, the biggest increase in two-and-a-half years.

In the first four months of the year, inflation ran at a seasonally adjusted 4.3 percent, compared with 2.9 percent for all of last year.

Retail sales last month were pulled higher by a 3 percent jump in auto sales, the best since October. Excluding autos, sales still were up

# GPA Gets Lease on Life **But General Electric Takes the Helm**

DUBLIN - GPA Group PLC was out of danger on Thursday, thanks to financing from General Electric Co. of the United States, but the price the aircraft leasing company had to pay for its survival was its independence and its Irish identity.

General Electric Capital Corp. will buy 45 airplanes from GPA for \$1.35 billion and the U.S. company is gaining an option to take control of the leasing pioneer, which was close to default on some of its \$5.5 billion of debt.

GPA used to be called Guinness Peat Aviation and used to be the most valuable company in Ireland, But its expansion strategy was the wrong tactic for the 1990s, when a glut of airplanes and financial troubles at many airlines made the company's heavy debt load unbearable.

In return for its cash, GE is getting the right to buy between 65 percent and 80 percent of GPA over four years for an undisclosed price. It will also help get \$2 billion of aircraft off GPA's balance sheet by assisting in the sale of securities that are backed by the planes.

General Electric also is requiring that GPA's current share-holders and bank lenders provide financing to help the company through loans that are convertible to equity. Patricia Yoder, a GE Capital spokes-woman, said the size of GE's option depended on how much capital GPA raised.

GPA said, "In the context of the GE Capital transaction, certain of its bank lenders and shareholders have indicated that they would provide the company with additional funding in the form of new loans, in part carrying equity conversion rights, the terms of which are under negotiation."

Executives involved in the neectiations indicated GE would get banks and shareholders to provide about \$250 million in fi-

nancing. That money is crucial to GPA's efforts to avoid defaulting on bond payments of \$220 million due over the next six weeks.

The deal seems to be a bargain for General Electric. GE already has a plane-leasing operation and is one of the leading builders of jet engines. Should it exercise its option under the deal to ac-quire control of GPA, it would be a powerful force in the aircraft industry.

"We are acquiring, at an attrac-tive price, modern Stage III air-craft," said Denis J. Nayden, GE Capital executive vice president.

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John Conroy, NCB Stockbrokers, Dublin

All of the aircraft are less than three years old and they will be leased when we receive them." Bondholders groused that GE

was getting too good a deal. Jack Hersch, analyst at M.J. Whit-man, a New York trader of debt and securities of distressed companies, said. The concern is that GE is cherry-picking the best of GPA's fleet while leaving the company brutally leveraged in the face of what continues to be an airline-aircraft-recessionary environment"

He said holders of long-term debt were the most at risk. "The move will literally fragment bondholders."

Gary Klesch, whose Klesch & Co. specializes in debt trading, said, "There are bondholders saying, fook, how do you know they got the best price?"

One of GPA's bankers agreed with the sentiment, but supported the deal: "It's hard to say where the deal leaves bondholders but it can only been viewed as

positive by all constituents as a survivability. However, in saying that, the boudholders are at a greater risk of losing their investment than the banks, so whatever happens to GPA, the bondholders definitely have more to lose." Bankers usually are companies' senior creditors.

Before the deal was announced, GPA's directors and creditors were to discuss a debt moratorium in New York and a deal to convert unsecured borrowings into equity. But GPA said Thursday that the GE offer, if con-firmed as expected on Monday, would allow it to meet all of its

obligations in May and June. Although Touy Ryan, GPA's founder, called the relationship a strategie alliance, analysts said it was more of a takeover.

John Conroy, equity analyst at NCB Stockbrokers in Dublin, said the move effectively meant a transfer of ownership, and aviation sources said GPA would very much be the junior partner in the arrangement. "Essentially, GPA's Irishness will be lost,"

Mr. Conroy said. GPA's troubles began to mount in June, when an ambi-tious \$1 billion public stock of-fering had to be canceled because of worries about the leasing industry. GPA has since had to cancel billions of dollars in aircraft orders, burting the order books of manufacturers like Boeing Co., while scrambling to raise cash for deht payments.

The company pioneered the leasing industry after its founding in 1975, building a fleet of 460 aircraft that were hired out to 113 airlines.

GPA flourished in the 1980s as demand for air travel sent profits soaring to over \$200 million a year. Two of Mr. Ryan's sons set up the Irish airline Ryanair.

At the peak of GPA's fortunes, the company was capitalized at more than \$3.9 billion. (Reiders, Bloomberg, AFX, NYT)

# France Unveils **Tough Stance** On World Trade

By Roger Cohen
New York Times Service

effects on employment."

to be disappointed."

PARIS — The new center-right go too fast and force our hand, I French government unveiled a am sorry to say that they are likely tough and far-reaching trade policy Thursday, rejecting a trans-Atlantic agreement on farm trade reached last November, rebuking the United States for resorting to unilateral reprisals, and contending that liberalism in world trade was not enough when so many European jobs are threatened.

as constructively conceived to over-

The five-page statement, re-ased by Prime Minister Edouard

Prepared against a backdrop of recession in Europe, with unemployment running at more than 10 percent in the Community, the statement said the opening of markets through the lowering of tariffs must be organized in a way that ensured there were no "devastating

# ment on Tariffs and Trade, Mr. Balladur said, "If people want to

space and agriculture, as well as

making clear that France believed

While the policy was presented

come the long impasse in the GATT talks to liberalize world trade that has focused on agriculture, it was uncompromising on almost all issues. In part, analysts said this might reflect a tough initial stance that might be softened in

Balladur, amounted to a call for a review of European trade policy as radical as that now being undertak-en by the U.S. administration.

Growing competition from in-

dustries using cheap labor in the former East bloc is causing increasing uneasiness in Western Europe.

issued on the eve of trade talks between the United States, Japan, the European Community and Canada in Toronto, the policy memorandum suggested that a long-sought world trade agree-ment, widely viewed as essential to revive the sagging global economy, was still a long way off.

### On the most contentious single issue—agriculture—Mr. Balladur gave no hint of any concessions. His statement dismissed the accord on farm trade reached last November between the United States and the Community as "unacceptable in its present state,"

tie accord been reached.

market share.

In particular, France rejected a DS clause in the agreement that says de the volume of EC grain exports should be cut by 21 percent over the next six years. The statement in also suggested the Community Referring to the stalled negotia- needed more protection against tions under the General Agree- some American farm imports.

# Government Warns Losses Endanger Air France

## PARIS — Transportation MinisBernard Bosson said Thursday Lufthansa Sees Another Unprofitable Year halve that deficit this year and to tion of Air France was particularly and we will fly from tomorrow with saying that high German labor and

that losses at Air France threatened break even in 1994.

the state carrier's future. "It lost over 3 billion francs in 1992, and the forecasts for 1993 do not look better," Mr. Bosson said. He added that the shortfall "threat-. ens the company's very survival" He said the company must accelerate its restructuring, a plan that includes 5,000 layoffs.

in Frankfurt, meanwhile, Lufth-ansa AG said it had a loss of 391 million Deutsche marks (5242.8 million) last year, and although the loss was narrower than the 426 mil-lion DM shortfall of 1991 the German state-run carrier did not ex-pect to be profitable this year.

Air France, which reported a net attributable loss of 3.27 billion francs (\$602.3 million) for 1992, earlier this year said it simed to

Mr. Bosson's statements, uncharacteristically harsh for a French minister, follow the hard line taken by Industry Minister Gerard Lonprofitable state-controlled compa-nies such as Groupe Bull and SGS-Thomson Microelectronics BV

could not forever remain a drain on the government's finances. Above all, Air France must rely on itself and its own efforts for re-covery," Mr. Bosson said Thursday. He noted the climate for airlines was poor and unlikely to improve in the short term. Mr. Bosson also said that given its long-standing structur-al difficulties, Air France appeared to be having a harder time than most in adapting to competition. Mr. Bosson said the reorganiza-

alization of Europe's airline industry that began this year. While saying he supported the current Air France restructuring, the minister guer, who on Wednesday said un-added: "This must be reinforced, which will require sacrifices by all Air France employees. They must understand that the existence of their company is at stake." In Frankfurt, Jürgen Weber, the Lufthansa chairman, said an air-

urgent because of the partial liber-

traffic agreement with the United States that put the company at a disadvantage on North Atlantic routes and high operating fees were the main factors hindering the carrier's return to profitability.

big profits," Mr. Weber said. Klaus Schlede, the chief finan-

cial officer, said the airline had to pay almost 1 billion DM in increased fees over the last three years. Lufthansa said air-traffic control and airport fees for the paring 16.5 percent of sales.

Lufthansa is allowed to land in just a dozen U.S. destinations and cannot fly domestic routes, while American carriers have free access to German airspace.

The Bermuda-II agreement is the bilateral aviation agreement between the United States and Brit-

Bloomberg quoted Mr. Weber as

tax costs also hindered Lufthansa's return to profit. The state-owned airline does not have the option many private companies have of shifting operations abroad.

The strong mark also is a prob-lem, Mr. Weber said. Other Europe-

have the same opportunities. But I'm not just talking about our U.S. competitors, I'm talking about our

European rivals as well. On April 6, a Lufthansa spokes-"Give us the fee structure of the U.S.A. and the Bermuda-II air traffic agreement that the British have, like it and would oppose similar in said it was talking about forming partnerships with American Airline agreement that the British have,

# German Carmakers in Slump

Compiled by Our Stuff From Disputcher
MUNICH — Germany's top three carmakers look set for a long, slow haul to recovery after sales and earnings figures released on Thursday showed the full impact of the recession in the early months of

this year, analysts said.

Daimler-Benz AG announced a drastically reduced profit in the first quarter; Volkswagen AG skumped to a big group net loss for the first three months, and Bayer-ische Motoren Werke AG said its production and sales were heavily down in the four months to April. "Clearly in all respects these are profit in the first quarter of 1993 disastrous figures," said John dove 95 percent to 20 million Deut-Longhurst, an analyst at the bro- sche marks (\$12.4 million), from

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kerage James Capel in London. 480 million DM. Sales dropped 19
With the domestic car market percent at 18.4 billion DM, fromexpected to shrink 20 percent this 22.79 billion.

year and the rest of Europe performing little better, analysts are on weak demand for vehicles in pessimistic about this year. The Germany, and on low vehicle sales global recession that caught up in Italy and Spain. Sales in the with Germany over the past year United States rose by 13 percent. has hit car companies particularly Volkswagen, Europe's biggest hard, they add.

"I don't see any turnaround," billion DM loss from a 202 million said Klaus-Jürgen Melzner, an analyst at DB Research, the economicforecasting arm of Deutsche Bank. Iy 725,000 vehicles.

Daimler-Benz, Germany's big.

BMW published no new profit

The company blamed the drop car producer, swung into a 1.25 billion DM loss from a 202 million

Daimler-Benz, Germany's biggest industrial concern, said net
profit in the first quarter of 1993
dove 95 percent to 20 million Deutdove 95 percent to 20 million Deut190,000 cars, wille sales dropped 8.3

percent to 9.68 billion DM. The companies themselves displayed a cautious optimism for the next few months in the face of what Mr. Longhurst called "the worst downturn in the European car market in two decades."

VW is expecting a smaller loss in the second quarter before returning to profit in the final six months, while Daimler sees its car business turning up significantly later in the year after the new compact Merunan the sector as a whole and is forecasting another "healthy" result for 1993.

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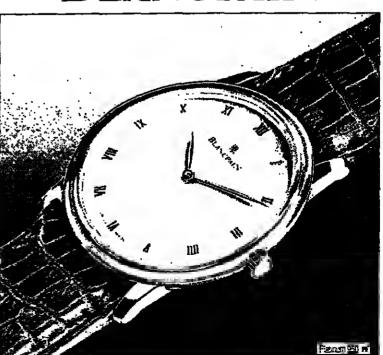
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especially Daimler and VW," said Lothar Lubinetzki of Trinkaus & 7% Burkhardt in Düsseldorf. On an operating basis, he expectone doth Daimler and Volkswagen
to post losses in 1993, and saw only

a possible small increase in earnings next year.

(Reuters, AP, Bloomberg) E Saab Loss Narrows Saab Automobile said its loss after financial items had narrowed to 138 million kronor (\$18.9 million) in the first quarter, from 293 mil-

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# **Inflation Punishes Stocks and Bonds**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK —Stock and bond investors took fright Thursday, with the notable exception of the precious-metal mining stocks, which extended their recent gains after the second straight U.S. re-

port of rising prices.
"Inflation, inflation, inflation." said Jack Solomon, analyst at Bear, Stearns & Co. "That's the story."

The Dow Jones industrial average slumped 34.32 points, to 3,447.99, tumbling from the record

### N.Y. Stocks

close of Wednesday. Losing issues outnumbered gainers on the New York Stock Exchange by an 8-to-3 ratio. Most major market indexes mirrored the Dow's loss, but the American Stock Exchange index was down just 0.52, to 427.91, reflecting that bourse's concentration

The 30-year Treasury bond fell 1 7/32, to 102 5/32, pushing its yield up to 6.95 percent from 6.85 percent on Wednesday. After a worrisome report that consumer prices rose 0.4 percent in April, the Treasury found weak demand for its long bond.

The inflation data means big securities houses "are going to have to raise their inflation forecasts," said Michael Strauss, chief economist at Yamaichi International (America). will be trading at 7.25 percent." The consumer-price news fol-

lowed a Wednesday report that wholesale prices rose 0.6 percent in April, far above expectations. A \$7.50-an-ounce rally in gold, his-torically considered an inflation hedge, added to the pall cast by the

government reports.

Royal Dutch Petroleum paced the Big Board actives, up 214 to 9314 after reporting its first-quarter net income rose 23 percent.

Oil issues in general traded mixed to lower following broad gains on Wednesday. The same was true for other inflation hedge stocks, even the gold mining issues. Homestake Mining was No. 2 on the actives list, up % to 17%, followed by Battle Mountain Gold, up % to 8%, and American Barrick,

Philip Morris was up % to 50% after a rating upgrade from Merrill Lynch & Co. on expectation the company's recent price increase on its cheap cigarette brands will limit the extent to which it will have to cut the price on its high-priced brands. Echo Bay Mines led the American

Stock Exchange actives, up % to 11%. Royal Oak added 7/16 to 5%. In active over-the-counter trading, Apple Computer rose 21/4 to 55 after its rating was upgraded by Hambrecht & Quist.

Sci-Med Life Systems Inc. increased 5% to 52. The manufacturer of medical supplies said it re-I think bonds in three months' time ceived government approval 10 market a new angioplasty catheter. (Knight-Ridder, UPI, Bloomberg)

# **Dollar Gains Support** On U.S. Rate Outlook

NEW YORK - The dollar ad-

vanced Thursday against most major currencies after the U.S. government reported a bigger-than-expected gain in the inflation rate

and improved retail sales in April.
The dollar was buoyed early in New York by the Labor Depart-

### Foreign Exchange

overall rose 0.4 percent in April, and 0.4 percent when food and energy were excluded. Analysts expected a 0,2 percent rise.

The CPI, on top of Wednesday's report that producer prices also rose last month, means the Federal Reserve is not likely to cut interest rates anytime soon, traders said.

The Fed is also likely to be deterred from acting by the Com-merce Department's report that re-tail sales grew by 1.2 percent in April, they said. The rebound in sales after March's decline suggests the U.S. economic recovery is still

up from 1.6105 DM Wednesday, the dollar's rise."

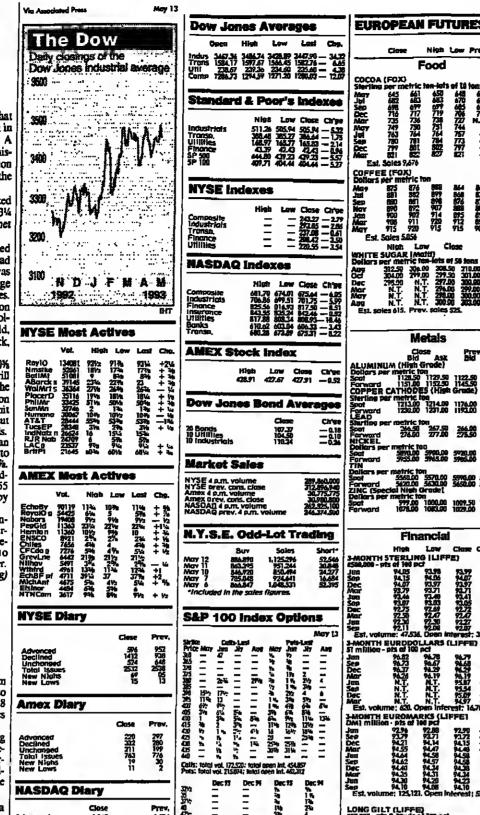
while it rose to 111.85 yen from 111.53 yen, it also advanced to 1.4622 Swiss francs from 1.4618 francs and to 5.4510 French francs from 5.4250 francs.

The Spanish peseta, which along with the Portuguese escudo was devalued against other European currencies, closed at 123.50 to the dolment report that consumer prices lar, down sharply from the previous day's 118.65.

"There wasn't enough in the data to get us to 1.62," said Earl Johnson, a foreign-exchange adviser at Harris Trust & Savings Bank. There's just too much uncertainty about the U.S. economy for the dollar to sustain an up-move."

The dollar was also reined in by demand for marks in the wake of Spain's and Portugal's decision to devalue their currencies, traders

With the 8 percent devaluation of the peseta and the 6.5 percent devaluation of the escudo, "there was across-the-board demand for marks," said Carl Amendola, vice president at Bayerische Hypothe-The dollar closed at 1.6160 DM. ken & Wechsel Bank. That capped



## Gold Rises \$7.50 an Ounce

NEW YORK — Gold closed sharply higher on the Commodity Exchange on Thursday but below its peak for the day, as profit-taking set in toward the and of the section.

in toward the end of the session.

Gold for June delivery ended \$7.50 higher at \$369.30 an ounce, off its session high of \$373, which was gold's highest level on the Comex since June 1991, according to weekly charts.

Analysts predicted that the metal would make further gains, as U.S. government data released Wednesday and Thursday caused a return of

concern about future inflation. "You have a lot of asset reallocation" into gold from bonds and other investment instruments, said a Prudential Securities analyst, Bette Raptopoulos.

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# Treasury Bond Yield Falls at Sale

WASHINGTON (AFX) - The U.S. Treasury said Thursday that it WASHINGTON (AFX) — The U.S. Heastly said finitistry that it had sold 30-year Treasury bonds for an average yield of 6.97 percent. This was down from the average yield of 7.22 percent at the previous auction on Feb. 11, and the lowest yield since the Treasury began issuing 30-year.

bonds on a regular basis in 1978.

The high yield at the auction was 6.98 percent. The bid-to-cover ratio was 2.37 to 1. The Treasury said it received \$19.6 billion in tenders and accepted 8.3 billion in tenders. It was the final leg of the three-part anction of debt securities that the Treasury conducts four times a year

### Sears Sells Coldwell Banker Group

NEW YORK (Knight-Ridder) — Sears, Roebuck & Co. said Thursday that it had agreed to sell Coldwell Banker Residential Group to an investor group that includes Fremont Group, a private investment company that manages more than \$3.5 billion in assets. Terms were not disclosed.

"The successful completion of this transaction, plus the sale of Sears Mortgage Corp. announced earlier this week, are additional steps in our previously announced repositioning program which continues to enhance shareholder value," said the Sears chairman and chief executive, Edward

Mr. Brennan added that Sears had "achieved all of our objectives in these two Coldwell Banker transactions." On Tuesday, Sears said that PNC was buying Sears Mortgage Banking for \$328 million.

### Time Warner in Fiber-Optics Deal

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — Time Warner Inc. said Thursday that it had bought a 50 percent stake in MetroComm, a Columbus, Ohio, maker of fiber-optic networks. The investment is one of several Time Warner has made over the past

comple of years in fiber-optics companies in various parts of the United States. Terms were not disclosed.

"Fiber optics enables us to get into new businesses that offer us some potential revenue," said R Time Warner spokesman, Mike Luftman.

### Judge Rules Cigarette Makers Liable

GREENVILLE, Mississippi (AP) — Cigarette manufacturers are liable when their products cause cancer and death, even if the smoker

hable when their products cause cancer and death, even if the smoker knew of the dangers of smoking, a judge ruled.

The ruling Wednesday, believed to be the first of its kind, could make it easier for smokers to win damages from tobacco companies if other judges follow suit. In health-related cases, no one has ever collected damages from the American tobacco industry.

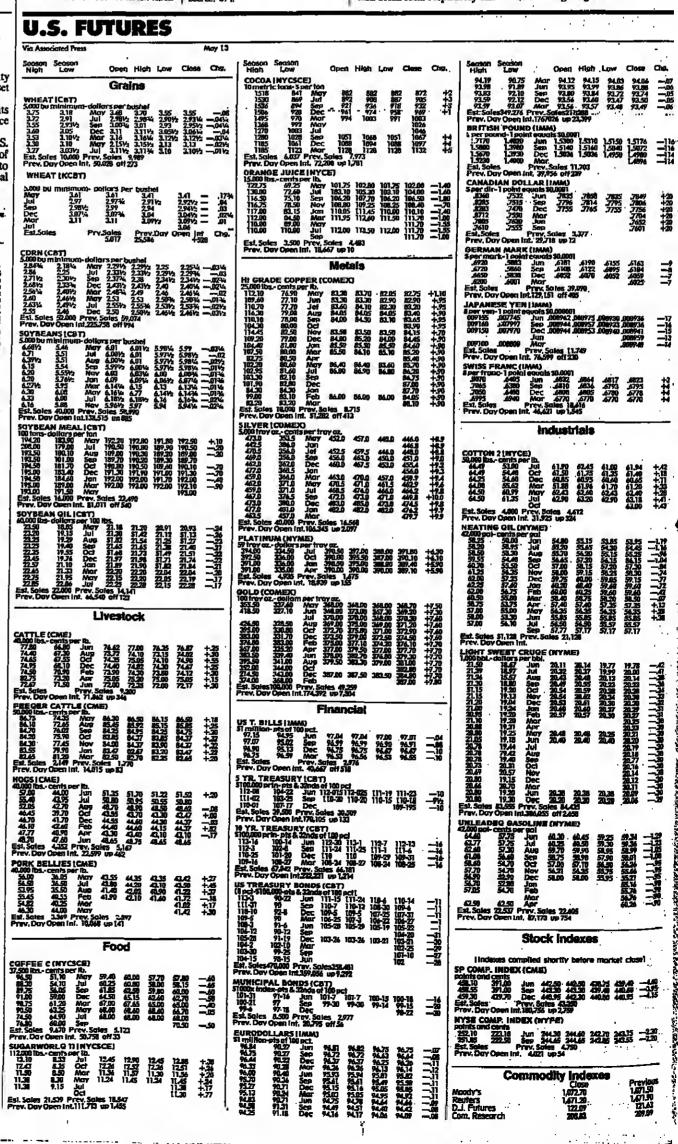
The decision came in a \$17 million civil lawsuit filed by two children of Andreas Smith I with died of large cases and symphosomes at age \$3 in

Anderson Smith Jr., who died of lung cancer and emphysems at age 63 in 1986. "Cigarettes are, as a matter of law, defective and unreasonably dangerous for human consumption," Judge Eugene Bogen of the Washington County Circuit Court wrote. His ruling does not end the case, which is set for trial June 7. Lawyers still must argue whether cigarettes caused or contributed to Mr. Smith's death, and determine what damages, if any should be awarded.

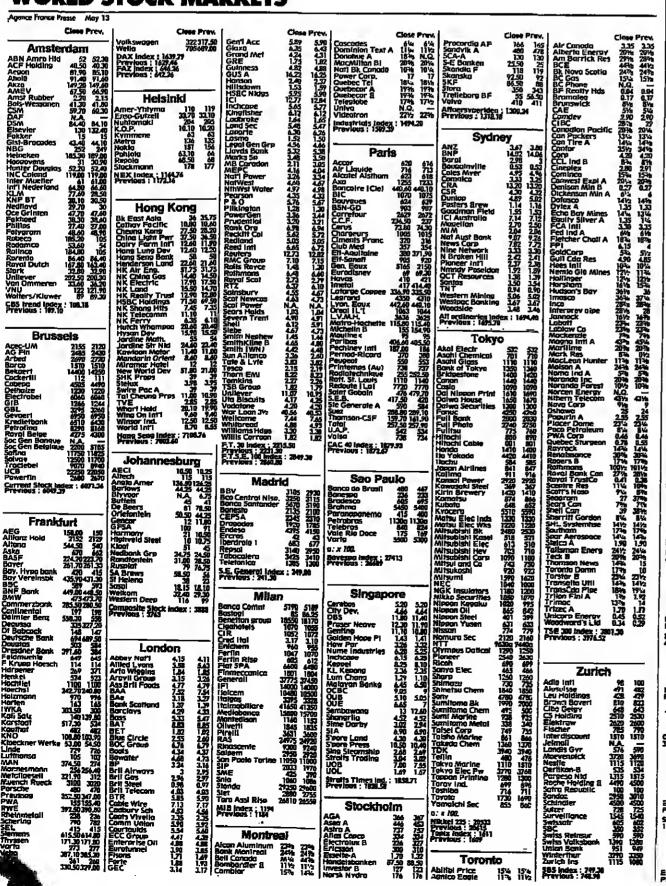
### Keene Seeks Asbestos Settlement

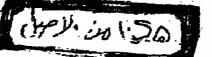
NEW YORK (AP) — Keene Corp., facing nearly 100,000 asbestos-related claims, asked a federal court Thursday to declare that it had too little money to pay claimants and to order its assets divided up in a class-

The company filed a request for a class-action stat in U.S. District Court in Brooklyn. It was the latest attempt by a former maker of asbestos-containing products to resolve its cases under court order. Keene said it wanted to allocate through a settlement its remaining assets of about \$100 million. The company said it had more than 98,000 claims pending against it and that about 2,000 new cases were filed monthly. New York-based Keene's liability stems from its 1968 acquisition of a small company that made asbestos-containing insulation. Keene says it has settled 95,000 cases alleging its asbestos products caused severe and often fatal respiratory ailments, including lung cancer.



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soon mean it will be difficult for the European Community to make much headway towards the Maas-The Madrid Ibex 35 index closed at 2,761.44, up tricht treaty's goal of a single currency and a centrally developed monetary policy by the end of the decade.
"Even if Maastricht is ratified, the chances of mone-The news about the devaluation emerged after the stock market had closed. tary union occurring in the way outlined in the treaty are very small," said William Ledward, an economist After the devaluation announcement, Spain's National Statistics Institute reported that the unemploywith the Normera Research Institute in London. Among other problems, most European nations ment rate in Spain rose in the first quarter of the year have not come close to meeting the treaty's goals for reducing budget deficits and inflation rates in prepato 21.7 percent from 20.1 percent in the final quarter ration for monetary convergence. With the recession worsering, that problem is likely to continue, leaving In Lisbon, meanwhile, officials said Portugal had been surprised by Spain's request for a realignment of the national economies burdened by debt payments Puropean currencies, which the governor of the Bank and out of step with one another. of Pormeni said he had considered unnecessary. M Spanish Banks Cut Rates Mignel Beleza, the central bank official, said that Spain had requested the realignment of correncies only in midmorning, when financial markets were in Spain's economy minister, Carlos Solchaga, said the Rank of Spain would lower its inservention rate 1.5 points to 11.5 percent effective Priday, news agencies reported from Madrid. THE REAL PROPERTY AND THE PROPERTY AND T

PESETA: Devaluation Deepens EC Currency Doubts

Hungarian Industry Chief Paid by U.S. The U.S. ambassador, Charles Thomas, defended the arrangement as a way of helping the Hungarian government hire "a competent man of prestige and integrity to run something that is extremely important for the Hungarian economy." There have been no allegations of impropriety against Mr. Teleki and no allegations of U.S.

A Little Too Western?

By Peter Maass

Winnington Post Service
BUDAPEST — The U.S. government is paying
more than \$100,000 a year to Pal Teleki, the

president of Hungary's state holding company,

which owns and manages the country's key state

The amustral arrangement, in which a U.S. gov-

enuncut investment fund is underwriting the bulk

of Mr. Teleki's salary, is sensitive in Hungary because it gives the appearance of direct U.S.

influence over the privatization and operation of

Populist foes of privatization have accused the government of selling out to foreigners, and the financial link between the U.S. government and

Mr. Teleki, a prominent Hungarian-American who lives in Washington and is on leave from a career job with the U.S. Geological Survey, is bound to

As part of an effort to promote free enterprise, the United States occasionally underwrites the salaries

of special advisers who have expertise that post-

The deal with Mr. Teleki goes a step beyond

The state holding company, known as AV RL, of

which he is both president and chairman, domi-nates a big chunk of the Hungarian economy, including all utilities, major industrial companies,

Mr. Teleki, the grandson and namesake of Hun-

gary's World War II prime minister, who commit-

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meddling. The state holding company was formed late last year to run strategic companies in which the gov-

ernment wants to retain a major stake after privatization. It is structured as a private company in which the Hungarian government owns all the

The government wanted to hire Mr. Teleki but could not pay him much more than what ministers get — roughly \$1,000 a month.

According to U.S. officials, Mr. Thomas responded to a request from the Hungarian government for help by arranging for Mr. Teleki to receive payments from the Hungarian-American Enterprise Fund, which the U.S. government founded to promote capitalism in Hungary.

"The idea was to make it feasible" for Mr. Teleki "to do this without going broke," Mr. Thomas said. "I don't have any second thoughts about it."

The payments may fuel a current controversy over the Hungarian-American Enterprise Fund, which has attracted criticism from Capitol Hill and from some officials in the State Department and Agency for International Development.

Reports that the Hungarian Fund had invested \$4 million to start up a Budapest-based merchant bank in which the top managers awarded themselves more than \$300,000 in annual salaries prodded at the chairman of the House Appropriations subcommittee on foreign operations to complain that the fund has not been properly managed.

Several Spanish commercial banks followed with

Spanish stock prices, meanwhile, closed at a high for

(AFX, AP, Bloomberg)

the year, as investors scurried to buy shares ahead of the Bank of Spain's devaluation announcement.

comparable cuts in their prime lending rates.

# **Bundesbank Moves to Dampen Hopes of Further Rate Cuts**

strong comments and action, moved Thursday to deflate hopes of further quick cuts in German interest

German securities markets surged Wednesday and in the early part of Thursday's session on the hope that a sharper-than-expected fall in a German moneymarket interest rate would be followed by another out in the central bank's discount rate next week.

But that hope was deflated when the Bundesbank drained funds from the money markets, in what one top central bank official termed a reaction to "exaggerated expectations."

The draining, a step that tends to prevent declines in market interest rates, was followed by aggressive com-ments from Bundesbank President Heimut Schlesinger, who said in a speech in Bonn that the Bundesbank would do all it could to maintain confidence in the mark. He rejected a concerted easing as a "sledgeham-

mer interest-rate policy" and "not appropriate."

Mr. Schlesinger said that Germany's M-3 money supply, often a harbinger of inflationary trends, had started to grow strongly again in April.

A Bundesbank board member, Johann Wilhelm FRANKFURT—The Bundesbank, in a barrage of Gaddum, said in an interview that the market had misinterpreted this week's reduction in the securitiesreparchase rate to 7.60 percent from 7.71 percent, and that the move to drain funds from the market had been made in response.

Armin Kayser, an economist with Swiss Bank Corp. in Frankfurt, said, "The Bundesbank is trying to pour a little water into the wine." At Goldman, Sachs & Co., Thomas Mayer said that if there was any move by the central bank next week, it was now more likely to be a quarter-point cut in the 7.25 percent discount rate than a half-point reduction. The discount rate was cut by a quarter-point April 23.

Separately, a top German economist said Germany would not be able to lower its interest rates far or quickly chough to stage an economic recovery until at

Norbert Walter, chief executive of Deutsche Bank Research, said at an Austrian National Bank seminar in Baden, Austria, that inflation and a budget deficit would continue to slow economic activity as Germany came to terms with the costs of unification.

# East Germans Vote to Widen Strike

FRANKFURT - The metalworkers' strikes that first hit two East German states 11 days ago will spread to the three remaining regions there starting Monday, the IG Metall union said Thursday.

The decision, announced just hours before talks started in Dresden to seek an end to the strike there, followed an overwhelming vote to extend the strike across all of the former Communist state's

In my opinion, the strikes will last for quite some time," the chairman of the union, Franz Steinkühler, said at a news conference announcing the decision. Mr. Steinkühler said the new strikes would start on Monday in Thuringia and Brandenburg states as well

as East Berlin. IG Metall's leader in Hanover. Jürgen Peters, said 11,000 workers at six companies in neighboring Saxony-Anhalt would stop work on the early shift next Tuesday.

testing against a management decision to tear up a valid wage pact that would have boosted their pay to Western levels by next year. IG Metall, Germany's largest

The engineering workers are pro-

union, also set tough conditions for any deal to end the labor unrest.

Employers would have to retract their cancellation of the original contracts and agree not to terminate contracts in this way in future.

# **DANES:** Maastricht Supporters Cite Currency Crisis

rope's lowest inflation rate - 1.1 percent. "These interest rate shocks have had a clear effect on confidence," said Darren Cullen, an economist at Salomon Brothers Inc. in London. At the same time, devaluations by several trade partners, including Britain, Sweden, Norway and Finland have hurt Denmark's exports. As a result, Mr. Cullen predicted Denmark's

economy would contract by 0.4 percent this year. But in spite of the pain, there have been virtually no calls for Denmark to emplate Britain by pulling out of the European Monetary System's exchange-rate mecha-

nism and cutting interest rates to stimulate growth.

Mr. Rasmussen said devaluation would be shortsighted and dangerous, threatening to give up Denmark's hard-won gains on inflation.

It also is not clear that devaluation would benefit Denmark. Unlike the pound before it was withdrawn from the ERM, the krone is pegged to the Deutsche mark at a competitive rate, said Jorgem Christensen, a director at Den Danske. While Britain was running a massive trade deficit, Denmark has a trade surplus of nearly 5 percent of gross domestic product and cannot expect an export-led boost to growth, he said. The government is acutely worried about unemploy-

ment, which is running at 12 percent after many years of in recent days after several weeks of crosion.

economic austerity. But Mr. Rasmussen's solution lies with Europe. He has hinted at cuts of up to 10 percent in income tax rates, but only if the referendum was approved. He is pushing for European leaders to adopt an employment initiative at next month's summit meeting in Copenhagen, claiming that the solution, like the problem, must cross European borders.

The consensus on the need for a strong krone does not necessarily imply that the latest currency crisis will generate more "yes" votes.

Economic union "was never the issue" arousing opposition to Maastricht in Denmark, Mr. Christensen said. Instead, referendum opponents are nervous that the treaty - even with Denmark's exemptions from monetary union, political and defense cooperation, and a common EC citizenship — will create a bureaucratic European superstate that will interfere with matters that Danes hold dear, such as their generous social welfare system.

Indeed, it could be negative if the threat of devaluation is regarded as an annoying external shock given Danish annoyance with outside interference during the referendum campaign.

Recent polls have shown the "yes" vote solidifying

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Royal Dutch/Shell Group posted a 23 percent rise in first-quarter profit, beating analysis' expectations; net income was £945 million (\$1.45 billion), up from £769 million a year earlier. The company said the higher prices it received for oil and natural gas had helped offset losses in its chemicals division.

• Grand Metropolitan PLC said six-month pretax profit had fallen 24 percent to £417 million, from £552 million a year earlier, reflecting increased interest charges. Net debt increased to £3.16 billion from £2.65 billion, reflecting currency movements of non-sterling debt.

 Swedish consumer prices rose 0.4 percent in April from March, pushing annual inflation to 5.1 percent from 4.9 percent. • Thomson-CSF has lost a bid to huy the Czech defense-electronics

company Tesla Pardabice, according to the local company High Technology Transfer, which said that it had won the bidding. • The Telegraph PLC said it had acquired from Hellman & Friedma Capital Partners II LP 26.8 million options over convertible debentures of

the Australian newspaper publisher John Fairfax Holdings Ltd.

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# **Layoffs Curtail BT Profit**

LONDON - British Telecommunications PLC said Thursday its pretax earnings had tumbled 35.6 percent in the latest financial year because of high layoff costs, but it indicated the worst may be over after two years of declining income.

BT, the largest company in Brisain, said it carned £1.97 billion (\$3.03 billion) in the year that ended March 31, down from £3.07 bil-

charge for lavoffs. Sales slipped 0.7 percent to £13.24 billion.

There were 40,000 layoffs last year, and an additional 30,000 are to be cut from the 170,000 remaining employees over the next two years. But Barry Romeril, the finance director, said the layoff charge would be cut by about half this year. Mr. Romeril said evidence that

the company's operations were improving was reflected in an 8.3 percent dividend increase, to 15.6 pence lion in the previous year. But the a share. The company's stock was

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# Investor's Asia

# Japanese Retailers Cut Prices Sharing Fruit of Yen's Gain, They Hope to Aid Sales

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TOKYO - Most Japanese retailers have cut prices of imported goods to share with consumers the benefits of the year's advance, an Economic Planning Agency official said

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The news should be welcome in Washington, which has been pushing for greater access to Japanese markets, U.S. officials have said they hoped the stronger yen would help to reduce Japan's towering trade simples. The yea has risen 12 percent against the dollar since the beginning of the year, and some effects are now being feit.

Many retailers have held sales since February to return foreign-exchange profits to customers, even though they have yet to profit from the year's appreciation, said Nobubiko Kosuge, director of the agency's price-re-search division.

"Their costs have not dropped yet," he said. "They are cutting prices based on future exchange profits in a bad to spur consump-

The Economic Planning Agency said it had surveyed 200 retailers across Japan and had

received responses from 90. Half of the re-spondents said they had already cut prices of on the list, the agency said. received responses from 90. Half of the reimported goods, the agency said, and a further 14 percent said they were planning to

reduce prices soon. About 20 percent said they had no intention of reducing prices, while 15.6 percent said they had not decided.

Three-quarters of all Japanese department stores and supermarkets have already cut prices of imports.

Eighteen percent of the respondents said they had started discounting in February, 51 percent in March and 31 percent in April, the

Retailers are using the stronger yen as a catalyst to boost consumption, which has long been slumping. Mr. Kosuge said. "The yen's appreciation is well timed for their strategy," he said.

Food has been the first import to benefit from a more robust yen. Retailers have slashed prices of imported beef, fruit, coffee and cheese, some by more than 20 percent. the agency found.

"With exchange profits, retailers are trying to narrow price gaps of these products in Japan and abroad," Mr. Rosuge said.

Among retailers that have not cut prices, 59 percent said that was because wholesalers and importers had not yet cut theirs.

Separately, Japan's major oil wholesalers, including Nippon Oil Co. and Cosmo Oil, said they would reduce wholesale prices of petroleum products by 0.5 to 0.6 yea a liter (1.7 to 2 cents a gallon) to pass on the benefits of the stronger yen, the newspaper Nihon Keizai reported.

Japan's major oil companies are expected to report significant profit increases for the year ended March 31.

Cosmo Oil announced April 9 that it was expecting current profit to hit a record 31 billion yen (\$278 million).

Nippon Oil's current profit will be 40 billion yen, according to estimates by Toyo Keizai, a financial-information company.

\*Our decision is in line with our current policy toward mainland China," said the secretary-general of the SEC, Huang Wu-cheng. He added that listed companies should not wantonly risk shareholders' money in China.

Analysts said the effect of the SEC's measures would be limited as listed companies could still use retained profits, bank loans and other forms of financing to invest in China. But they said investment plans by some individual compa-

"They're definitely trying to make it hard to invest in the mainland," said Ben Chen, an analyst with Baring Securities. "Smaller companies will be affected most

# Taipei Slaps Curbs On Quoted Firms' **China Investments**

Inflation Fear

Rises in China

SHANGHAI - Deputy

Prime Minister Zhu Rongii, a

leading proponent of a market economy, said Thursday he was concerned China's recent fast

growth would cause inflation.

Deng Xiaoping, the senior

Chinese leader, reportedly has

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But Mr. Zhu noted the econ-ony grew 12.8 percent in 1992

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Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches TAIPEI - Acting to cool the latest bont of China fever among Taiwan companies, the Securities and Exchange Commission said Thursday it would not allow companies listed on the Taiwan Stock lion in the mainland in recent Exchange to raise funds for investment on the mainland.

The SEC's move follows calls by the government office that coordinates Taiwan's policy toward China, the Mainland Affairs Council, for tight screening procedures for mainland investments.

The SEC also said it would require Taiwan's 260 listed companies to have all Chine investment plans approved by shareholders' meetings, instead of merely by boards of directors. That pronouncement brought howls from Taiwan businessmen who claim the requirement could disrupt business.

"We will prevent all listed companies from using funds raised from the public to invest in the mainland, said Lin Chung-yung. the SEC vice-chairman.

nies could be cancelled or delayed.

### Hong Kong Heng Seng with larger conglomerates able to raise money from other sources." In spite of an assortment of obcosts and new markets have already invested more than \$10 bilyears, private economists said. A recent government study found that 72 percent of companies planning to invest abroad would put some of their money in China, making the mainland the top destination for Taiwan capital. Authorities have expressed concern that a heavy outflow of capital to China could eventually undermine Taiwan's economy.

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### Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches Very briefly:

• Mitsubishi Estate Co.'s profit fell 22 percent to 70.7 billion yen (\$635.8 million) in the year ended in March. But the figure exceeded the company's forecast of 65 billion yen, made in February.

· A strike by 1,500 workers at a Japanese-owned factory in China continued for a third day. The Sannuel Electrical Machinery employees seek pay raises of as much as 50 percent, citing China's high inflation rate. Citizen Watch Co., Japan's Isrgest watch maker, posted a 0.3 percent rise in profit for the year ended March 31 but said the yen's rise would prevent it from showing strong earnings growth in the current year.

Anstralia's jobless rate fell to 10.7 percent in April from 10.9 percent in March, despite a decline of 75,300 in the number of people employed, apparently as thousands stopped actively seeking work.

 Korean Airlines reached a pact with Bristol Aerospace, a Canadian subsidiary of Rolls-Royce, to develop modifications for F-5 fighter jets. Hyundai Motor Co. has resumed operations after a 12-day suspension caused by a strike at a supplier, officials said, adding that the work stoppage at Apollo Industrial Co. in Ulsan had cost \$190 million in lost sales but had had little effect on exports.

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# Tokyo to Tighten Up Index-Futures Trade

TOKYO - The Tokyo Stock Exchange is forging ahead with plans for stricter rules on stock-index futures trade — including use of the circuit-breaker mechanism that limits futures trade and arbitrage in a volatile cash market - despite strong opposition from foreign brokers.

However, the proposed restrictions would operate only in emergency situations and would not damage the arbitrage and fatures business, which has been dominated by foreign firms, a Tokyo Stock Exchange official said.

"The new rules on arbitrage and dealers' trade would be put into operation maybe once or twice in a whole year," the official said. Wall Street stops all arbitrage when circuit

breakers kick in, but the Tokyo exchange would

only stop dealer arbitrage, he said.

A working group has since January been working on possible new rules on derivatives trade in line with a Finance Ministry proposal last December. The ministry said the new rules were needed because futures and arbitrage trading had been critical factors behind the volatile cash market in the past few years.

The TSE official deried charges that the proposals targeted foreign firms in particular. The rules are not meant to target a certain group of

brokerages such as foreign houses," he said. But the plans hammered out so far include ments of special concern to foreign brokerages, including the circuit-breaker mechanism. The TSE official said the circuit breaker would work when spreads between the cash

stock indices and stock index futures prices became "mmaturally" wide, but would not specify how wide that would be. Under the proposal, the so-called circuit breaker would ask dealers to limit arbitrage

trade on their own account in emergency simations, the official said. The TSE draft also calls for each brokerage to count orders from their overseas parent firms

or subsidiaries as orders from their Tokyo offices' own accounts, the official said. Thus, orders from overseas units' own accounts would be restricted if the circuit breaker was in

Foreign brokerages find this proposal disturbing, saying Japanese officials have no authority to regulate affiliates outside Japan.

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Le Conseil d'Administration

# Nissan to Buy Parts From a Toyota Unit

TOKYO - Nissan Motor Co., Japan's second-largest automaker, said . Thursday it would buy parts made by a subsidiary of its bigger rival.

Toyota Motor Corp.

Under the unusual agreement, beginning 1995, Nasan will buy braice parts valued at 1 hillion year (99 smillion) a year base. At san inchestry Cor, a hillion supplier to Poyeta based unopility at the tenter and blass Hammer.

pumps that improve braking of inciency—are used in Toyota's two diesel-engine passenger car models, the Cassey and the Corona. The same parts will be

Nissan's diesel passenger and commercial vehicles. The agreement breaks Ja-

pen's traditional hetresu sysan of a strict, exclusive loyalty between major manufacturers and their suppliers. The United States has enticized that system hormate it tends to freeze Amer-tion. Darie materie out of the Reputate materie.

The second also reflects Nat-sur's disperse effort to reduce production cours in the face of stalling car asks resulting from the nature's economic slump and the higher wines of the yen against the dollar, which cans its export profit.

# Japan Raids Building Group

TOKYO - Japanese investigators on Thursday raided a construction group suspected of bid-rigging, in the latest twist to a continuing saga of corruption in the construction industry and trade tensions with the Television news showed agents from the Fair Trade

Commission searching offices of the Yamanashi Pre-feermal Association of Construction Contractors and several member companies. The Kyodo news agency quoted FTC sources as saying the group had long been ed from bidding if they do not pay off influential enumeral in hid-riseing for public-works projects in politicisms. Mr. Kanemara, head of the largest LDF engaged in bid-rigging for public-works projects in Tokyo's Yamanasin prefecture. Crincism of Japan's public-works bidding system

fished following reports that leading builders made major policies.
hage payoffs to the former ruling Liberal Democratic He retired fro

Party baron, Shin Kanemara.

The U.S. rade representative, Mickey Kantor, cited Japan last month under U.S. rade law for bias against foreign companies seeking government construction. In April, just after Mr. Kanemaru was indicated, the Construction Ministry began asking industry groups about their activities, including membership fees, a practices. Washington warned Japan that its exports to the United States could be carbed if it did not comply.

A Japanese Justice Ministry report said that Mr. Japan's big general contractors next week about al-Kanemaru, whose base was in Yamanashi, hid more

tions by some 20 hig building and trucking firms.

Mr. Kanemaru, 78, was arrested earlier this year and charged with evading income tax. His trial is expected to start in July. An FTC spokesman declined to name companies involved in the raid. But NHK public television said

about 10 companies were involved. Analysts say the designated bidding system is a root

of the scandal, because companies fear being blacklistfaction from 1985 until last year, could pick prime ministers and other cabinet members, and dictate

He retired from politics last year after admitting he

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# **Chesnokov Defeats Clay-Footed Becker** In the Italian Open

ROME - Boris Becker, still battling his clay court jinx, was ousted from the Italian Open on Thursday by Andrei Chesnokov.

The Russian clay court specialist advanced to the quarterfinals with a 6-2, 3-6, 7-6 (7-3) victory when the three-time Wimhledon champion, who has never won a major tournament on clay, failed to coovert four hreak points in the second

Defending champion Jim Courier overpowered Fabrice Santoro of France, 6-3, 6-3, with a display of power tennis that dominated the match until he suddenly lost his touch in the second set against the

With Courier up 4-0, Santoro rallied to make it 4-3 and had two break points when, just as suddenly. Courier held serve and then broke Santoro to win the match.

The set second set was played under darkening clouds, gusting winds and falling temperatures. "Once the clouds came in the balls got much slower and heavier," Courier said. "It took me a few

games to get the hang of it." Goran Ivanisevic, the No. 4 seed from Croatia, reached the quarterfinals by downing Marc Rosset of Switzerland, 6-4, 6-3.

No. 6 Michael Chang advanced by beating Carl-Uwe Steeb of Germany, 6-2, 7-6 (7-3).

Guillermo Pérez-Roldan of Argentina, a clay court specialist beat-en in the final here in 1988, ousted No. 8 seed Andrei Medvedev of Ukraine, 6-4, 6-4, Medvedev has been ooe of the hottest players this

Also advancing were No. 7 Sergi Bruguera of Spain, who downed No. 10. Karel Novacek of the Czech Republic, 6-4, 6-1, and Marcelo Filipini of Uruguay, who de-feated Jan Siemerink of the Netherunseeded players.

Ivanisevic won the battle of big servers against his 6-foot, 7-inch (2.01 m) opponent and close friend, winning 26 of 30 points on his booming first serve.

Brenda Schultz, one of the biggest servers in women's tennis, upset fourth-seeded Jennifer Capriati, 6-2, 5-7, 6-4, at the German Open

Capriati, playing ber last tuneup on clay before the French Open. was overpowered by the 6-2 Dutch player in their third-round match. Some of Schultz's serves were timed at 180 kph (113 mph). "You can get used to her serves, but some of them are still just too

good," Capriati said. Third-seeded Mary Joe Fernan-

dez beat Austria's Judith Wiesner, 6-2, 7-6, after falling behind by 5-3 in the second set against the 13th seed, then rallying to win the tiebreaker, 8-6, by converting a second match point. Gabriela Sabatini of Argentina,

the second seed, easily defeated 16th-seeded Sandra Cecchini of It-

The sixth-seeded Magdaleoa Maleeva of Bulgaria beat Ginger Helgeson of the United States, 7-5, while seventh-seeded Anke Huber of Germany outlasted Ann Grossman of the United States, 5-, 6-1, 6-3, in a duel of baseliners that lasted 2 hours, 11 minotes,

Nathalic Tauziat of France, the eighth seed, reached the quarterfinals by beating Argentina's Maria Jose Gaidano, 7-5, 6-3.

Schultz gambled frequently in ousting Capriati, ranked No. 7 in the world, keeping her on the defensive with her big serve-and-volley game. She also managed to lash numerous winners off of Caprian's

"I played pretty well," Capriati



Boris Becker failed to convert four break points in the second set of his match in Rome.

# The Phantom of St. Louis Is Unmasked

Los Angeles Times Service Editors of "The Baseball Encyclopedia" painstakingly check their facts, according to

Bernie Miklasz of the St. Louis-Post Dis-

For example, the book for years contained the record of one Lou Proctor, who played one game for the St. Louis Browns, coming to the plate once and drawing a walk. No other

"We finally discovered that Lou Proctor was oot a ballplayer at all but an employee of the Western Union company," said Rick Wolff, senior editor of sports books for Macmillan, which publishes the encyclopedia. "He used to sit in the press box in St. Louis and transmit the box scores to the rest of the country. One day, be put himself io the box score.
"Nice try. He had us fooled for a long time, but we finally took him out of there."

# Into 7th Game

United Press International

UNIONDALE, New York — Darius Ka-sparaitis finished his checks and Steve Thomas finally finished off some shots, which meant the New York Islanders weren't finished yet.

Brian Mullen and Thomas scored third-period goals 5:50 apart Wednesday night and the underdog Islanders roughhoused Mario Le-meux and the Pittsburgh Penguins into a 7-5

### STANLEY CUP

loss that forced a Game 7 showdown in the Patrick Division final.

Kasparaitis, the Islanders' young defense man from Lithuania, slammed Lemieux and Jaromir Jagr around the rink and Thomas broke out of his playoff drought by scoring twice to give the Islanders life and the Penguins

a Thursday morning headache.

Kasparaitis served notice the Penguins can expect more of the same on their home ice. Tin going to continue to hit," announced is, whose reputation as a blind-side checker has players around the league keeping

their heads op.

The Penguins, held, hooked and slashed throughout the contest, while delivering a few shots of their own, were not careful in the neutral zone again and it cost them. They spent much the game on their heels and had trouble with the Islanders' speed down the sides all night.

Mullen and Thomas converted identical

cross-crease setups to break a 4-4 tie, Mullen banging in Thomas's feed across at 5:42 for a 5-4 lead. Then Thomas bagged his second of the game at 11:32, slamming home Ray Ferraro's

pass across for a 6-4 advantage. "We were guilty of some breakdowns and

sometimes they caught us file-footed," said Pengnins defenseman Ulf Samuelsson.

Though thoroughly outplayed and oot-coached for much of the contest, the Penguins closed to 6-5 on Kevin Stevens' second goal of the game with 2:32 left in the third, but Ewe Krupp's empty-netter with 17 seconds left en-sured victory.

"I wanted to play it close to the vest," said the Islanders' coach, Al Arbour, who, with leading scorer Pierre Turgeon ont for the scries with a separated shoulder, has skillfully exploited Pittsburgh's left defense throughout the series by floating a winger high in center ice for a quick rush down the boards. "When you have a Game 7, you go out there

to win it," Arbour added. "Anything can hap-

# Islanders, 7-5, A Night of Heroics Push Penguins For Braves' Nixon

stole the show. Nixon stole four bases, got two hits, scored two runs and made a nice catch in center field as Atlanta won, 5-2, in Houston on Wednes day night as the Braves continued to rebound from their lukewarm start this season.

They finished 7-2 on their swing through Pittsburgh, Denver and Houston.

"The big key for their success is Nixon," said the Astros' manager, Art Howe. "When he gets on base, he canses a lot of problems."

Avery pitched 6% imnings, giving up two runs on five hits, before

Mike Stanton closed for his 13th Catches by right fielder Dave Justice in the second inning, left

Nixon in the fourth denied the Astros extra-base hits. I just wanted to give our guys a

chance to make some great plays,

Braves won for the 16th time in their last 17 games in Houston and the sixth time in seven games overall. That kept them two games be- the big leagues. hind the San Francisco Giants, who lead the West Division.

Giants 8, Rockies 2: In Denver, Bud Black pitched three-hit ball for eight innings and Matt Williams and Mark Carreon homered for San Francisco, but the biggest hits came at the end when a brawl

After Jerald Clark was hit by a ich for the second straight at-bat, he headed toward the Giants' pitcher, Mike Jackson. They exchanged words and the dugouts emptied, but oo punches were thrown and order seemed to be

Suddenly, the Giaots' Barry Bonds, who had three hits, started

Steve Avery was the winning pitcher and Terry Pendleton got Robby Roads were steamed. the go-shead hit. But Otis Nixon Bobby Bonds, were ejected, as were Clark and a Colorado coach, Roi

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Neither Bonds would say after. ward what set off the second round. Phillies 4, Pirates 1: Darren Daulton hit a three-run homer and

### NL ROUNDUP

Tommy Greene pitched a five-hitter as Philadelphia beat visiting

Reds 3, Padres 2: Kevin Mitchell tripled and scored on Chris Sabo's single in Cincinnati moments before a storm arrived and the game was called after five innings. The Reds have oow won six of their last

The Padres said catcher Mike fielder Ron Gant in the third and Scioscia will undergo arthroscopic surgery next week to repair a tear in his right rotator cuff and will miss the rest of the season.

Avery said.

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In this first major-league homer, a five two-out, run-scoring singles to grand slam, as Florida won in Montreal. Carr, who began the leave with 15 game leading the league with 15 stolen bases, connected in the second inning, in his 176th at-bat in

Cardinals 6, Mets 5: Luis Alicea's sacrifice fly in the bottom of the ninth gave St. Louis its victory over New York.

The Cardinals loaded the bases with no outs on Geronimo Pena's double, an error by pitcher Mike Maddux and a walk. Minutes after it began raining. Alicea hit a fly ball to medium center field, and Pena easily beat Joe Orsulak's weak

Dodgers 9, Cubs 3: Cory Snyder, who entered the game when Darryl Strawberry's back again stiffened, doubled, singled and drove in two-runs during a seven-run rally in the eighth that gave Los Angeles a vio-

# Mansell, After 220 MPH Indy Thrill, Is on Cloud Nine: 'It's Awesome'

By Shav Glick Los Angeles Times Service

INDIANAPOLIS - After taking a look at Indianapolis Motor Speedway for the first time late Tuesday afternoon from the air, Formula One champion Nigel Mansell wasted little time Wednesday getting to know the place.

"Even from 5,000 feet up, looking down at this place is a daunting - or as you say it - an awesome like it in the world."

Mansell first appeared on the track at 11:24 A.M. in his Lola-Ford, theo quickly handled the four phases of his rookie test. The final phase was 10 laps at faster than 200 miles per hour (320 kilo-meters per hour). This was attested to by veteran drivers Eddie Cheever. John Andretti, Tero Palmroth and A.J. Foyt. Each observed Man-

"He looked real good," Foyt said after observing the first turn.

officials turned him loose, Mansell quietly moved up past 210, 214, 220 until he reached 222.855 mph, the fourth fastest lap of the day among Only Rani Boesei (224.461), Paul

(222.905), Mansell's Newman-Haas teammate, were faster Wednesday than the English driver in a crash April 3 in Phoenix, Ari-

sell in a different corner of the said Mansell, obviously in pain as rectangular oval that covers two and a half miles (4 kilometers) he climbed from his car after having run 94 laps during his first day.

"Historically, 1 am sure 1 have oever driven through a corner at such speeds. According to the com-Once United States Auto Club puters, the quickest corner in a Formula One race would not be above 190, so I had oo experience at cornering at the speeds I ran today. It was quite a thrill

goal is to qualify in the top 15 on Saturday, go home and rest and then come back and finish the 500 who 14 days earlier underwent miles. I would like to win the race, back surgery for injuries sustained but it is not realistic to think about winning until I have completed 400 zona.

"I approached the day quietly, and when It was over, I was gratified at all the help I had received in attaining the 220 mph barrier."

"Maning that I lave completed 400 miles. Then, if I am on the same lap with the leader with 10, 20 or 50 laps remaining, then I might try to win, but my first priority race day is to finish 500 miles."

"I would be quite happy to have

### Dodgers to Air Game in Chinese

LOS ANGELES - The Los Angeles Dodger's game against the Cincinnao Reds at Dodger Stadi-um next Wednesday night will be

broadcast in Mandarin.

"We are delighted to authorize this initial Chinese language broadcast," Brent Shyer, the Dodgers Director of Broadcasting and Publications, said Wednesday. "The Dodgers have been active in the Chinese community for many years and we look forward to future in-

This will be the first time a Dodgers game has been aired in Chinese and the first time a reguar-seasoo major-league game has United States, the Dodgers said.

The Dodgers have hroadcast select games in Korean since 1990. The Dodgers-Reds game oext Wednesday night will be broadcast locally in four languages: English, Spanish, Chinese and Korean.

The Detroit Tigers keep hitting home runs, the Boston Red Sox keep throwing shutouts, which are the reasons those two teams are at the top of the American League

The Tigers hit five more homers on Wednesday, giving them a major league-leading 41 this year, as they beat the Blue Jays, 13-8, in

year, this time from Danny Darwin gui. He ran into trouble in the and two relievers who blanked the eighth, walking Leo Gomez and Baltimore Orioles, 2-0. The Tigers, who hold a two-game

lead over the Red Sox, got two bome runs from both Cecil Fielder and Kirk Gibson, while Tony Phillips added a three-run shot. In the first two games of the three-game series, the Tigers have scored 25 runs to the Blue Jays' 15.

In Baltimore, the back-to-back shutouts by Boston made it the first Boston made it 2-0 in the third time in 10 years the Orioles have

### Tigers and Red Sox Pursue Specialities been blanked in successive games. Darwin saw limited action in squeeze bunt inugged the third-base he returned to the starting rotation. Ine and scored Luis Rivera. The move is retroactive to May 8.

spring training because of back problems and lost his first four

up only one run in his last 20% innings and has won his last three starts. Darwin retired 21 of the first 22 batters he faced, allowing only a

### AL ROUNDUP

starts this season. But he has given

giving up a two-out double to Segui, but Greg Harris came in and struck out Harold Reynolds.

and fourth in five games, came struck out Harold Reynolds.

his ninth save.

Jeff Russell pitched the ninth for Fernando Valenzuela, despite allowing only two runs and seven hits

in 8½ innings, took the loss.
Scott Fletcher opened the game with a homer off Valenzuela, and

outs in the bottom of the ninth -it was scored a double - allowing former teammate Troy Neel to score the winning run in Oakland.

Athletics 8, Rangers 7; Texas's Jose Canseco failed to catch a well-

hit ball by Brent Gates with two

The rally came against Texas re-lief ace Tom Henke, who blew his first save in 25 appearances. It also The Red Sox got their second ruined a Texas rally in the top of straight shutout and fifth of the fourth-inning single to David Sethe minth against Dennis Eckersley when Juan Gonzalez's two-run Gonzalez's 10th homer of the year, right after Eckersley hit Canseco on the wrist with an 0-2 fastball. Esckersly blew a save for the fourth

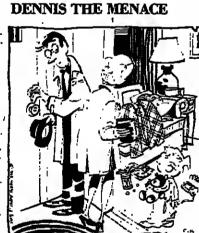
time this year — one more than he did all of last year, when be won the Cy Young Award.
Earlier, the Rangers put pitcher
Nolan Ryan on the 15-day disabled
list because of the strained muscle White Sox 6, Mariners 5: Chica-

go opened a 1½-game lead in the AL West behind home runs from Ellis Burks, Robin Ventura and Craig Grebeck in Seattle. Brewers 4, Yankees 1: Matt Mieske homered and B.J. Surhoff

stole home for visiting Milwaukee as Bill Wegman and two relieves combined on a five-hitter against New York to outpitch Jimmy Key, who entered the game with the sec-

Indians 6, Royals 2: Cleveland playing at home, ended a five-game noising streak as Carlos Baerga hit a nic x two-run single to cap a five-run

. Twins 5, Angels 2: Dave Winfield hit a two-run homer for visiting Minnesota and Kevin Tanani



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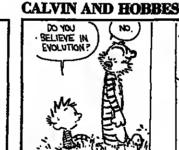
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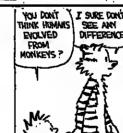
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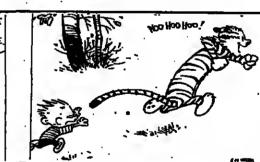








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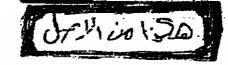




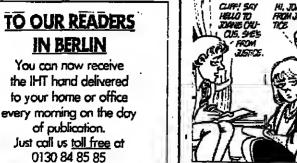
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# SPORTS BASKETBALL

# Heroie A Magic Man Visits Livon Europe's Sin City Turns Teache

In Amsterdam, Johnson Turns Teacher On the Subject of AIDS and Safe Sex

By Ian Thomsen anal Herald Tribune DEN BOSCH, the Netherlands Magic, hey Magic Johnson:
Looking for some hashish?
What? No! No, thanks.

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For you the best price, Magic No thank you, Magic Johnson said, as he walked the unscrubbed morning streets of Amsterdam. The city is a red-lit messeum to his past — not the stranger offering hashink, for no one has ever imphied that Magic used drugs - bet the women. They were on exhibit, way slong the sidewalk, hair ob-scuring a bare shoulder, lipstick to smear, and a shadowed bed in the narrow room behind

Didn't they know? There are times, in his newfound dedication to the most important things, when Magic Johnson is like the camera overhead, and he is viewing himself below. And that is his new job. To keep an eye on himself, and how he mixes. But then sometimes the poetic glare brakes him to a halt, like this woman with the lips, neither dressed yet tantalizingly not undressed, she straddling the entrance between him and that bed - and silently making that motion with her arm

of shooting a basketball. That he could just wake up in a sweat and she would vanish. But he laughed and continued on

"To see some of these simutions, how far behind we are, as far as their openness," said Magic Johnson, the American sourist. "As a young man I would have just been saying: "Wow!" You know what I'm saying? He laughed. It's really something to sit there and see it, but then you don't gawk at it any-

more. You study it.
They control a problem that we've been trying to control. That's what went through my mind. Here they are, men want it, they can't get it no other way but to pay for it, so they legalized it. But then they put they legalized it. But then they put it in this one area. I said, wow, these people are smart. If they're going to do it snyway, just go ahead and let them do it, but livep it right here. It's really something. Then they make them, I guess the way they explained it to said positive got to have your health card supplied this, so it was really weind. It market this.

think about different things.
"I thought, this is really, I sell you what, this is an education coming over here. It really educates

Magic Johnson came to Europe this week to play basketball. Of course, the basketball is easy the source of his light. He is more concerned now with the illu In the United States, controversy

the HIV virus that causes AIDS when he infected a woman from his hometown of East Lansing, Michigan. Johnson, who revealed his infection while retiring from the Na-tional Basketball Association in November 1991, has said, "They have no case."

Beyond that, he is having trouble reaching those who need to hear him. Americans have not yet decided how their children should be schooled in HIV and AIDS prevention. The religious conservatives worry that his outreach ultimately promotes teenage sex. Part of Johnson's message is that the safest sex of all is no sex. It is not, he admits,

the most realistic part.
On Wednesday afternoon, having returned from a little window shopping in Amsterdam, he appeared at an hour-long forum for some 300 high school students here. Sponsored by Pepsi and the local Red Cross Youth, they were going to talk sex inside a small basketball gymnasium. The wood floor was cloaked with gray carpet. Between the six baskets were posters from Magic's past, and bhured, blown-up photos of lovers in the throes, the difference being that each couple held in their fingers not a fashion-

able cigarette but a condom. The Boston Garden, in June, was only slightly more hot. Johnson sat on the stage beneath one of the baskets, whose white net hung above him like a chef's hat. Four students were flanking him, each half his age or younger. Magic is just 34. He wore a black T-shirt.

The conversation was necessarily explicit. If Earvin Johnson ever sounds like a 1950s health movie, if he's yesterday, then that's the day Magic has died. It's no easy thing to discuss in everyday terms what be does in order to make love to his wife, inviting an andience to envision him in that way. A boy in the audience stood and amounced it was not his business to ask whether his friend used a condom during sex.
"Never mind sex." Magic said.
"If I'm your friend, and I hear

you're going to some place danger-

one, I've got to say to you: 'Look, Don't go there, it's dangerous,' "I could've just said it's not my business to tell everybody I had this," he went on. "I could have just said, I'm retiring from sports and The not point to really worry about corrylating due, I possible to that. I come for hear because I'm worded shout you gays. It's important for you to understand the lifestyle we live in and how the virus is spread. I don't want what happened to me to

Your life is in danger.

Then we who have the virus, he continued, because he knew for some that he had strived too late -lurks about his meaning like the disease itself. A \$2 million lawseit lating through the audience alleady, "we've got to live on, too.

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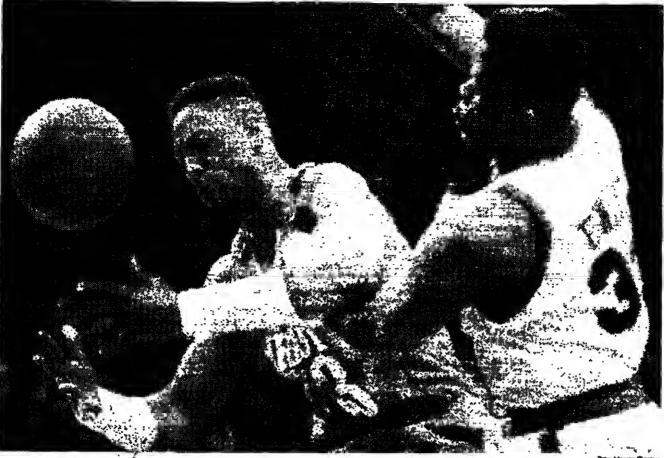
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Patrick Ewing tied up Alonzo Mourning, then the Knicks' began unraveling the Hornets in the second game of their playoff series.

anyway. Pur going to keep going on. I'm still having sex, I'm still running, jumping, playing. Life

He listened to the back and forth between the students and the mingling AIDS experts. How do you ask whether your partner has had unprotected sex? Magic, apparentnever raised that question when he could have, and how many times must be have exceriated himself for that. But then he waved away the

"Wherever you ask him," he said to a toenage girl, "it really doesn't matter. If you like him, you're going to sleep with him. Really, If you have feelings for him, you're going to sleep with him. So then, if you ask me if I've ever done it without a ask me if I've ever done it without a condon, and if I want you, then I'm going to he to you. Right? Especially when you're this young. We're lying there together, and I'm going to say: 'But I haven't slept with anybody before you. You're the first one, the only one. You're the prettiest girl in school."

"I've been there before. I know. No matter what's happened in the past, it doesn't matter, because you can't trust them. If they don't have the condom, then they're waiting. It's just kissing and hugging. If they don't produce that condon, you don't, you don't, you don't. There's ways pick up where you left off." Waiting outside the gym, in the 10 feet between the door and his

car, were two dozen people. He happen to you. You have to talk could only sign a few of their autoabout it. You've got to ask the graph requests. "I'm sorry," he yelled out from the crack of the question. Don't be afraid to ask it. Mercodes' tinted window, "but I've got a game tonight and I've got to go." Inside with his three bodyguards, he rode toward his next

I'm not dead by no means. Not yet said, such a conversation could Malooe, Alex English, Kyle Macy 'Come on and get the condom' home. Let it be open like it is over Trek movies. here. Because one thing they don't understand is, kids want to have sex, no matter what parents are thinking. They're going to have it. I

don't care. You can't stop 'em." He laughed at the thought of



ketball game. If ever there was can't see what's wrong with him proof that someone with HIV can yet.

Which makes it all the more who at him like the briar patch assaultsetting but not worthy somehow. These weren't the Olympic Games. His three-game tour of Europe -

"only he so open. You know? They and Marques Johnson, plus the won't talk about it. Instead of, Brazilian star Oscar Schmidt, all 35 or older and showing it. The effect they'd oever let that happen back was not unlike watching the Star

It was some time ago that Magic was winning NBA titles for the Los Angeles Lakers with Legend teammates Bob McAdoo, who is 42, Kurt Rambis (35) and Michael Cooper (36). They each carry obvious deficiencies, except for Magic, the youngest among them. You

'I could've

just said it's not my business to tell everybody I had this. I came out here because I'm worried about you guys.'

Magic Johnson

Magic's opponents from the Dutch foghtening, for the millions who national team backed and clawed care, to see him expending himself. The game itself doesn't matter. ing Br'er Fox. It was an honorable Where does he get the energy? Shouldn't he save it? Forestalling such questions, he produced a rusty triple-double of 30 points, 16 asbeginning last weckend in Finland and concluding Thursday in Belgium — had merged him with a "Legend Team," made up of Moses of having it, the idea that it can go

had for him any day," said Chris van Dinten, who played for Mon-mooth College in West Long Branch, New Jersey, during Ma-gic's NBA prime, and who guarded him Wednesday night. "The guy knows he's going to die, the knows he's going to die, the nonbehe's going to die earlier than probably anybody else, but he's oot going to be depressed about it. I bet he has a lot of personal lapses, but he doesn't show the world. He just keeps going. This is, like, his desti-

For once, oo carpet was hiding the floor, and come of the shooters were lingerie or lipstick. The young Dutch led, 31-20, after the opening quarter, but then Magie began slashing, slaloming, twisting, spread-eagled like a dancer, and the scoreboard numbers increased on the old men's side like time replacing itself.

They were going to win by a score of 142-128, but the game was effectively over with 13 seconds remaining in the half, when Magic grabbed the ball at the right elbow

"Don't throw the hock," van Dinten warned him. A challenge, Magic's checks puffed, and his eyes filled like Dizzy Gillespie's as he crouched before the solo. Thud, thud, the ball like a drum beat, thud-thud, faster and faster. "You're not going to take the hook," van Dinten shouted, dancing in place, four seconds and three, when Magic hoisted himself behind his shielding shoulder, span and tossed the book - the book from 20 feet and ran away like it was a grenade.

Buzzer. He shot his index fingers like a pair of revolvers at his teammates. They were all falling back in the chairs, kicking up their feet. The scoreboard said so: He made his

# Knicks, 8 Back, **Buzz by Hornets** In Overtime

By Clifton Brown
New York Times Service

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NEW YORK - After a tremendous game and a tremendous comeback, the New York Knicks escaped

with another memorable victory.

Trailing by eight points with 3½ by as many as I3 points in the final period.

Trailing by eight points with 3½ period. Knicks railied to stun the Charlotte Wednesday night in Madisoo Square Garden.

The victory gave New York a 2-0 lead in the best-of-seven playoff Rivers committing his fourth perseries. And the game must have devastated the Hornets, who appeared to have a victory locked up going back to Charlotte for Game 3 sonal foul with 8:47 left in the on Friday night and Game 4 on Sunday afternoon.

Patrick Ewing, who scored 34 points, put the Knicks ahead for good with a 13-foot (4-meter) shot from the left of the foul line that made it 101-99 with 35.9 seconds left. Then the Knicks needed a big

defensive stop, and they got it.
With the 24-second clock about
to expire, Dell Curry missed badly
oo a 24-foot 3-pointer. The ball
rebounded hard off the rim toward the left corner, where Alonzo

immediately on New York's oext possession, and Starks made both free throws with 12.3 seconds left to give himself 25 points and put the Knicks ahead by four. Then, after Mourning missed wildly on a 3-point shot. Ewing broke downcourt and dunked at the other end

with three seconds left. It was an incredible, incredible, incredible win," said the Knicks' coach, Pat Riley, "I've been in 150 to 200 playoff games, but I've oever been in anything quite like this. We were dead in the water for about six or seven minutes. But we hong on

to the home court, barely,"
The Knicks oever would have won without Hubert Davis, who entered the game with 9:43 left in the final quarter and scored seven points. Trailing by 91-83, New York went on a 10-2 run to tie with

44.3 seconds left in regulation. Ewing made two straight jumpers. then after Larry Johnson dunked. Starks made a jumper, Charles Oakley --- who got 16 rebounds --- made one free threw and Davis made a driving lay-up, followed by a 3-

the 3-pointer. "It feels great to help the team. Was I surprised I got in the game? When he called my

me. So I went in there." For most of the second half, the Knicks learned what it's like to be Olajuwoo's short jump hook with frustrated. Usually, they shut down the other team.

Holding New York to one field goal for a 13½-minute span of the last half, the Hornets overcame an nine-point deficit and held a seemingly commanding 89-78 lead with 4:45 to go. The Knicks had trailed

When New York's offense fell Hornets, 105-101, in overtime on apart in the third quarter, neither Riley oor the players could put it back together again for a while. The problem started with Doc

quarter, trying to recover a steal by

Muggsy Bogues.
It was a crucial play, because the foul forced Riley to bench Rivers for the rest of the third quarter. And when Rivers went to the bench, the Knicks' offensive direction went with him. Rivers never returned, apparently bothered by back spasms that made him ques-

tionable for the game.
The Hornets' Johnson, who sprained his leg in Game 1, also started and seemed to move with-Mourning tried to save it only to out any pain. Nevertheless, he had lose it out of bounds.

a quiet first half with only six
The Horners fouled John Starks points and finished with 16. But Mourning was anything but

quiet. He had a 15-point half, nearly offsetting the 16 scored by Ewing. 10 the last balf, though, Mourning got only nine points. ■ In the night's other playoff

game, The Associated Press report-

SuperSonies 111, Rockets 100: Sam Perkins scored 15 of his 23 points in the fourth quarter in Seatile and Gary Payton had a playoff career-high 22 points as the Super-Sonics took a 2-0 lead over Houston in their Western Conference

The next two games of the best-of-7 series will be played Saturday and Sunday in Houston.

The Somes, who trailed late in the third quarter until Eddie Johnson sank a 3-point shot from near midcourt at the buzzer, made their first 22 free throws and 9 of 12 3pointers. Perkins was 3 of 5 on 3point shots in the fourth quarter, when Seaule made 11 of 16 shots from the floor.

Hakeem Olajuwon had 28 points and 13 rebounds and Vernon Maxprinter that tied the score at 93.

"I was wide open because they were double teaming Patrick, and 1 just took my shot." Davis said of with 28 free throw on 36 attempts.

After Johnson's long shot gave them the lead, the Sonics outscored the Rockers by 12-2 in the first 3:59 name. I looked the other way, then of the fourth quarter to take an 89l thought, 'What is he doing.' But 77 lead. Perkins contributed a 3he called Hubert. So I knew it was pointer, a fastbreak lay-up and a pair of free throws to the run.

After Houston made it 102-90 on 2:47 left. Perkins made two more 3pointers in the final 1:46.

### SCOREBOARD

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Hoch, some time. 8. Tom Cordes, Metherlands, Sepura Amoya, S.J.; 7, Roberto Torres, Spotty Lotus. ALI 8. Jose Remon Uricarte, Socia, Benesia, 58 behind; 9. Februiz Bontenel, Italy, Elder, 8:35 behind; 15. Sharek Szergaynski, Poland,

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FOOTBALL

Notional Feetball Leases

NFL—Named Dennis Curron vice president and seneral counsel of NFL Management Council and Peter Rucco vice president for operations and compliance of council. KANSAS CITY—Signed Johns Fields, linebocker, and Darks Turner, running back.

NEW ENGLAND—Signed Bill Lewis, center, to 2-year controct.

PHILADELPHIA—Signed Derrick Oden and Curtis Eiter, thebockers: Doug Stene and John Hudson, oriensive Einemen; and Preston Jones, quarterback.

SAN FRANCISCO—Signed Troy Wilson, defersive and.

BAYLOR-Eric Dortch, basketball lor-sund is transferring to N. Texas 51, SERRY-Homed Lennic Acuff men's bos-BOSTON COLLEGE-Named Comy Inslese women's bosketboll cooch.

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position of Western Corolina.

COLLEGE

### SIDELINES

# Auerbach May Need Bypass Surgery

BOSTON (AP) - Red Auerbach's cardiologist said Thursday the president of the NBA's Boston Celuics is in excellent condition after two procedures to clear blocked arteries, but that there is a 50-percent chance Auerbach will need a heart bypass operation in the next six months.

Dr. Roman DeSanctis said Auerbach, 75, could be released from Massachusetts General Hospital this weekend, and that he expects the architect of the Celtics' franchise to resume a normal lifestyle, including playing racketball and smoking his trademark cigars.

# U.S. Draws Bahamas in Davis Cup

LONDON (AP) — The United States drew the Bahamas on Thursday and will host their Davis Cup World Group qualifying round matches Sept. 24-26, with the winner advancing to the World Group for the 1994

In the other qualifying-round matches, Argentina will be at Hungary, Austria at New Zealand, Brazil at Belgium, Croatia at Denmark, Cuba at Russia, Spain at Korea, and Switzerland at Israel.

# For the Record

Frank Clark, who won a European Champions' Cup medal as a player for Nottingham Forest, became the English team's manager Thursday, replacing the retired Brian Clough.

(AP)

Everton, the cash-strapped Liverpool soccer team that was one of England's top clubs for more than a century, was put up for sale. (AP)
Dick Schofield, the Toronto Blue Jays' shortstop, had surgery on his left forearm, broken in a collision at second base in Wednesday night's

Zeno Colo, 72, the 1952 Olympic downhill champion and one of the first to use the aerodynamic "tuck" position that revolutionized skiing. died in Tuscany from respiratory problems caused by the tumor that cost him a hung in 1987.

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# Sea Hero Draws The No. 9 Post

For Preakness

BALTIMORE, Maryland -Kentucky Derby winner Sca Hero was made the second choice Thursday to runner-up Prairie Bayon for Saturday's 118th Preakness Stakes, the second jewell in the U.S. Triple

Crown series. Prairie Bayou was installed as the 3-1 morning-line favorite after drawing the No. 3 starting position in the field of 12 thoroughbreds, largest for the Preakness in 10

Sea Hero, the surprise winner of the Kentucky Derby on May 1, drew the No. 9 spot and was listed at 7-2. Personal Hope, who finished fourth at Churchill Downs, drew the inside post position and was

listed at 9-2. The complete field in post position order is: Personal Hope, El Bakan, Prairie Bayou, Hegar, Too Wild, Unioo City, Woods Of Windsor, Rockamundo, Sea Hero, Wild Gale, Koluctoo Jimmy Al and Cherokee Run.

Hegar, who won the \$50,000 Everglades Stakes just five days earlier, was entered at the last minute.

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# The Anti-Hobby Lobby

NEW YORK — Here from American Demographies magazine is a day-by-day study of bow Americans use their leisure. If, like me, you yearn to be a 100 percent typical American it is onsettling to discover that hobbies occupy far more of the typical American's leisure than wine.

Monday 1 percent of the average American's leisure is devoted to hobbies. On Tuesday it shoots up to 2.3 percent and on Wednesday to 2.4 percent before falling back to 2 percent on Thursday, 1.1 percent on Friday, and a mere I percent on

I don't have a hobby. Or to put it to terms of the survey, the amount of my leisure devoted to hobbies is 0 percent on Monday through Saturday, as well as on Sunday when the typical American is devoting a 1.5 percent leisure outlay to hob-bies. If I seem unduly sensitive about my un-American performance on bobbies, it is because all my life people have been looking with disapproval after asking, "What are your hobbies?" and being told the truth. Not having a hobby is widely regarded as indica-tive of command tendencies.

To cover my shame when the confession is forced out of me, usually by official interrogators, licensed psychologists and other authorized busybodies. I try to explain that I collected stamps when I was IO, but gave it up after getting the mumps. I suspected the mumps came from a \$1.98 box of 1,000 stamps, all of which had to be separated from their envelope

backings and on one of which, I believed, hurked the mumps germ

That cured me not just of stamp collecting, but of all hobbies. Now when investigators check my fitness for modern living, they are visibly dismayed to find my house has no ham radio in the attic, no carpentry shop to the cellar and no Just look at these statistics: On antique bookbinding equipment next to the laundry tubs.

> Such is my aversion to hobbies that when I find myself in a bouse with a ham operator to the attic, cabinet-making tools to the basement and antique books next to the laundry tubs, I leave quickly. This saves me the necessity to praise badly made bird houses, to talk to Argentina via shortwave and to feign interest in techniques for preventing bleach spills on first edi-

Here's something else: water skiing. Skiing on water is so closely akin to walking on water that 1 believe it ought to be avoided as a buman infringement on divine rights. Yet, believe it or not, 1.4 percent of American leisure on Sundays is spent water skiing. That is soon than the 1.3 persent man swimming and 1.1 percent spent fishing, two other watery time kill-

ers in which my score is 0 percent. What does it all mean? That question leads happily to my kind of leisure expenditure. As soon as I finish this work, I shall open a bottle of wine and debate whether to ponder what it all means, or take

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### **Controversy Over Chaplin Auction**

By Robert L. Kroon
International Herald Tribine GENEVA — riau ne to a la today, hot-tempered Charlie ENEVA - Had he been alive Chaplin might have used his famous cane on his butler Giuliano

Canese and his wife Mirella. In charge of domestic affairs at the Chaplin villa Manoir de Ban near Lausanne until seven years after Sir Charles's death at the age of 88 in 1977, the Caneses spent much of their time squirreling away all sorts of knickknacks the Little

Tramp and wife Oona shed, discarded or sometimes plain forgot. On Friday, this collection of 350 items will be anctioned at the Hôtel Président in Geneva.

The eight Chaplin children are furious at this posthumous greed and have tried to undercut the auction by questioning the authenticity of the collection. The family said to a statement that the mementos should go to the much talkedabout but still nonexistent Chaplin Museum on Lake Geneva

Forecast for Saturday through Monday

# **Big-League Rookies** And American Jazz

By Mike Zwerin International Herald Tribine

PARIS — You keep reading stories in the press about big-league rookies who are expected to be the next Hank Aaron or Nolan Ryan. At the same time, f am often taken to task for writing about "rookie" jazz musicians. What's the difference? Baseball and jazz are both creative endeavors performed in public and as American as mom's apple pie. One is called "America's pastime," the other "America's only native art form."

The difference is money, of course. The sports page can be confused with the business section these days, no chance of that happening here. If this sounds defensive, there is reason. Jazz is a poor art and poverty is a bore. Who wants to read about great starving artists, it reminds us of the faults in the system. We are reminded enough already. On a personal level, a white writer dealing what is basically black minority music to the white majority is in a double-paranoid bind. Still, creative people doing exceptional things are either interesting or not and those on the way up tend to be fresher with more spunk and daring (they have less to protect) than established stars.

Which raises another problem. Youth worship. Hot 14-year-old drummers have in fact no more trouble getting press cov-erage than fast 11-year-old tennis players. Subsequent evolution notwithstanding. the teenage Wynton Marsalis became famous as much for his youth as incipient talent. When Miles Davis said to him, "You play me, without me it would be 'Flight of the Bumble Bee," be was not all

Talented grown-up musicians who have paid beavy dues honing their trade and still remain reintively unknown to a mass public are somehow considered losers, not "sexy" enough. At the age of 36, the pian-ist/composer Billy Childs, no rookie, is multitalented, lucid and capable of, paraphrasing Leonard Coben, touching your perfect body with his mind. About the current flock of young lions signing major recording contracts and subjects of fullpage ads in Down Beat magazine, he says:

"Nice-looking young people wearing suits and ties attract customers. They play well enough, but generally they are not innovative. There is not much individuality. It's all about marketing. The emphasis is on conformity and money, the spirit of jazz, is lost. It's regressive, it's dangerous. Industry people need a point of reference

they are comfortable with. Something new

On Friday, a chamber orchestra consisting of members of the Los Angeles Philharmonic conducted by Esa-Pekka Salonen will perform Billy Childs's "Tone Poem for Holly" in Los Angeles. Childs calls the commission a "fluke" but flukes of this magnitude do not come to the undeserving. In any case, whatever you call it did not come out of the blue.

He kick-started his compositional ca-

reer by investing \$10,000, everything he had in the bank, in a demo tape setting his sister's poem "Lunacy" to music. This is not yet sold. He does not consider free time to he "spare," he continues to write music for the pleasure of it, market or no market. "Lunacy" tochuded 10 strings, a brass section, flute, clarinet, oboe, bassoon, harp and rhythm section. And now the market is beginning to come to him. Last March, the ensemble Percussions Claviers de Lyon performed his ballet

"Beyond" at the prestigious Grenoble Jazz Festival. His latest album (his fourth) "Portrait of a Player" (Windham Hill) has been on Billboard's jazz chart for 13 weeks. This does not mean megasales, the jazz chart is minority with a small "m," but the music is virtuoso and deserving Anyway, he invests more in composition than the keyboard these days. He is writing a commissioned work for symphony orchestra to be performed at next year's Monterey (California) Jazz Festival. His fingers are numb from putting notes

on paper. He never wrote so much music in his life as in the past six months. He carries an oversize folio packed with score paper whenever he travels, which is most of the year. He has never written by computer and hopes to keep it that way. When be has a block, not often, he keeps right on writing. Doesn't matter what. Just don't stop. Often, when he looks back on those passages, be finds they are not so dumb after all. And if they are, be wipes them out and plugs away. We are dealing here with a healthy mind and balanced ego:

"I was in a recording session and every-one was saying how bad everything sound-ed. f thought I sounded good on some songs, and I said 'Yeah, I like that.' The other guys thought I was egotistical. But if you make something of quality you should recognize it. There's nobody harder on myself than me. Often, people will tell me they like something which I find absolutely embarrassing. Either way, I believe me.

Who else are you going to believe?" Childs earned a degree to composition



Billy Childs: Hitting over .300 season after season,

from the University of Southern California where he was lucky to have a professor who had studied with Darius Milhaud and who approved of and encouraged the union of classical and jazz elements. He has become increasingly obsessed with combining written strings with improvising soloists and swinging rhythm sections. In the future, he wants to build on the verbal element he began to explore with "Lunacy," not exactly rap but, oversimplified for reference, a contemporary African-American incarnation of Igor Stravinsky's "Histoire dn Soldat.

Upon graduation, his piano playing blossomed to the '70s under the leadership of veteran trumpeter Freddie Hubbard and he worked with established stars like steel drum virtuoso Andy Narell and Branford Marsalis (on the soundtrack of "The Russia House").

Now established as the leader of his own quartet featuring Ravi Coltrane (John's son) on saxophone, he is solidly booked for the next three months. An extract from his itinerary includes Dayton, Ohio; Sara-toga, New York; The Hague (North Sea Jazz Festival): Chattanooga, Tennessee; Anaheim, California; Ottawa, and the World Trade Center in New York.

All of the above has involved working day and night to stay in shape year-round years and the equivalent of hitting over .300 with more than 20 home runs in the and he worked with established stars like major leagues season after season and no-Eddie Daniels, Bobby Hutcherson, the body notices. Well, not exactly nobody. PEOPLE

Deneure Opens Cannes, It's All in the Family

As "Ma Saison Prefere," Star-ring Catherine Denerve, opened the 46th Cannes Film Festival on Thursday, Denenve found herself telling the press to lay off her daughter, Chiara Mastroianal, who also stars in the film. Deneme plays a woman whose mother becomes unable to live alone. When Mastroianni was asked by the press whether she would be happy to look after her mother when she gets old, Deneuve seized the microphone and said: "My daughter is a very honest girl, and I'm sure she will tell you later, but she isn't going to talk about it here. Yes, this it censorship."

What sort of merrymaking did the psychoanalyst Jeffrey. Masson have in mind for Signand Frent, house, the jury was asked to ponder during court action over his libel snit against The New Yorker.

Among the quotes contained in a live 1983 New Yorker article that Masson is contesting is a statement that, as director of the Freud Archives, be would have turned

Henry Kravis and his wife, fash-ion designer Carolyne Rocken, have split and and are moving toward a legal separation, according to Women's Wear Daily. Kravis, head of Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. which took over RJR Nabisco in 1988, is one of the United States's richest men and it will take time for the couple to work out the financial details. Roehm reportedly signed a prenuptial contract before their marriage eight years ago. Cracks in the marriage first appeared when Kravis's son, Harrison, died in an accident two years ago.

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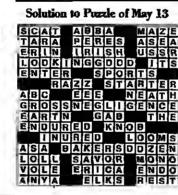
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### WEATHER

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### **BOOKS**

### AMERICAN GROUND ZERO: The Secret Nuclear War

By Carole Gallagher. 427 pages. \$50. MIT Press.

Reviewed by T. H. Watkins

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THE faces are old, most of them. Worn and scoured by the desert sun and wind and by something else, they peer at you from the pages of this handsomely produced book with expressions that range from the stole to the splenetic. They are ordinary people to whom something extraordinary has happened, and Carole Gallagher, the photographer-ioter-viewer of "American Ground Zero," reveals their pain, anger and confusion with the releutless clarity

ordinary and unpretentious as the faces, and the combination produces a document of such power that it can leave you thrashing in the pit of your own anger and sad-ness. This is what the government of the United States once did to a number of its citizens.

"American Ground Zero," like Philip Fradkin's "Fallout" before it -though with far greater emotion-al weight - chronicles the buman consequences of the nuclear bomb-testing during the Cold War follies of the 1950s and early 1960s, when 126 nuclear "devices" were detonated above the ground at the Ne-

a 17-year-old soldier who on July 5, in it. So it wasn't like a normal lagher interviewed and photo-1957, was ordered to stand up a few wind." By the 1980s, she had al-thousand yards from ground zero ready suffered colon, kidney, blad-chding soldiers who had been There are words, too, words as and watch the detonation of a bydrogen bomb. "I was happy," be tumor and polycythemia (a blood they could look straight up into the told Gallagher to 1988, "full of life disorder). By 1987, she was dead. hefore I saw that bomb, but then I understood evil and was never the same." In 1988, at the age of 49, he had already suffered two strokes, deterioration of the spine and muscle weakness so severe he was con-

fined to a wheelchair. Or Joanne Workman of St. George, Utah, a high school stu-dent who drove over into Nevada in 1953 to watch a blast from about 90 miles (145 kilometers) away as part of a science project. After the explosion, she recalled in 1985, "I vada Test Site west of Las Vegas.

The bombs killed no enemies of off because these little gritty things America, but there were plenty of had fallen on me and the wind was victims. People like Robert Carter, blowing. It had a lot of gray things

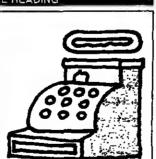
lot of examples out of German experience." (Brandon Mitchener, IHT)

der and stomach cancer, a brain marched so close to ground zero For more than a decade, Gal- cloud above them; poorly protect-WHAT THEY'RE READING

Keynes: the Economist as Saviour," the second volume of Robert Skidelsky's biography. He also recommends "Staatsverschulding — Ohne Ender by Hel-mto Schlesinger, Manfred Weber and Gerhard Zierbath, about "gov-ernment and debt in general, with a

· Kermit Schoenholtz of Salo-

mon Brothers in London is reading



ed test-site workers who spent eight bours n day, day after day, prepar-ing for and cleaning up after each "shot"; and "downwinders" like Joanne Workman, civilians who lived in the path of nuclear fallout. The government called them "a low-use segment of the population," and a sookeswoman for the Department of Energy once told Gallagher — on tape — that Those people in Utah don't give a [expletive] about radiation." Her name was Barbara Young.

In his foreword to the book, the New York Times reporter Keith Schneider calls this project "the most prodigiously reckless pro-gram of scientific experimentation in U.S. history." For nearly 40 years, the government - the Defense Department, the Atomic Energy Commission and the Depart-ment of Energy — lied. It lied

about the immediate effects of radiation sickness, about the levels of lethal exposure that human beings could tolerate, about the dangers of downwind fallout. It denied that there was any downwind fallout. When test-site workers turned to radintion-sensitive badges that indicated excessive levels of exposure, the badges were tossed nway as "defective" and new ones issued. In later years, when it became clear that long-term radiogenic effects included heart disease, vari-

ous cancers, neurological disorders, immune system deficiency, sterility, birth defects, elinical depression and reproductive abnormalities, the government bunkered down in trenches of deception. The Veterans Administration re

fused to recognize radiation-linked medical problems among the "atomic soldiers" of the 1950s. Li-

ability claims filed by sick federa employees were denied. Record were falsified and destroyed. It was not until the early 1980s that Con gress and the courts began to lister to the victims, and not until 1991 that President George Bush signed the Radiation Exposure Compen sation Act that accepted respons bility and attempted redemption.

A happy ending? Not really. The law is much too little and much too late. Indeed, when looking at these faces and reading these memories, you know that there were no victors and no real survivors from the years of that dark, snipid malevolence; there are only victims who have not yet died.

T. H. Watkins, editor of Wilder ness magazine, wrote this for The Washington Post.

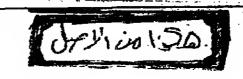
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chives, be would have turned Prend's London house into "place of sex, women, fun." Jenes Malcolm's tapes of her interviews with Masson do not contain that remark. But Malcolm's lawyer, Gary Bostwick, duch Masson to make the had told a friend "we were going to pass women on to each other when I lived in the Freud house." Masson replied, "I means we were going to introduce each other to women."

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